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## BREZHNEV SAID IN HOSPITAL

CAIRO (UPI). — Soviet Communist Party chief Leonid Brezhnev has been confined to bed at a sanatorium, and this was the principal reason for postponement of his visits to Egypt, Syria and Iraq, diplomatic sources said here yesterday

The sources did not say what Brezhnev's ailment was, but they added that he was in bed when he received Egyptian Foreign Minister Fahmy and War Minister Gamasy on Sunday at a sanatorium outside Moscow. Brezhnev told the Egyptians that doctors had advised him against making his trip.

According to Moscow reports, Brezhnev last appeared in public on December 24. The sources said he must have fallen sick between then and December 27 when he sent a message to Cairo asking for Fahmy and Gamasy to come to Moscow.

150% Belief in Washington

# Egypt to seek Arab okay for Israel talks

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

**WASHINGTON. — Now that Egypt has demonstrated its firm commitment to Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's mediatory efforts in the Middle East — at the Soviet Union's expense — Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy is expected to ask for a "green light" to proceed in talks with Israel from the foreign ministers of Syria and Jordan and an official representative from the PLO at this weekend's strategy meeting in Cairo.**

Officials in Washington believe that once Egypt gets such a go-ahead signal — as is hoped for here — developments aimed at achieving another Israel-Egyptian agreement in Sinai will be intensified, beginning next week.

President Ford and Secretary Kissinger are both scheduled to return to Washington from their vacations tomorrow and will waste no time in taking advantage of the apparent Egyptian-Soviet rift. Both officials have recently commented privately that unless some diplomatic progress was made soon, renewed warfare is likely.

Acting State Department spokesman Paul Hare said yesterday that he was "not aware of" any U.S. invitation to Fahmy to come to Washington for talks with Dr. Kissinger. But he added, perhaps pointedly, that "things are always being considered, obviously."

Israel Foreign Minister Yigal Allon is due in Washington on January 10 to continue talks with Dr. Kissinger. Some informed sources here would not rule out the possibility that Fahmy may preceed him, although they stressed that this was highly unlikely.

Egypt's biggest problem right now, according to the sources, is to convince its Arab colleagues to allow it to resume negotiations with Israel. President Sadat, concerned that other Arab leaders may charge him with making a separate peace with Israel if he moves too quickly, is expected to urge Dr. Kissinger to get some sort of commitment from Israel that once negotiations in Sinai are completed, talks between Israel and Syria will begin.

Israel has rejected linking progress on the Egyptian front with the Golan, where Israel's room for territorial pullbacks is not as great as in Sinai. Until now Sadat has refrained from making this connection.

But some American officials are stating their own "private opinions" that another partial Israeli withdrawal in Golan may have to follow the Sinai negotiations. These officials stress that this is not yet the official view of the State Department or Dr. Kissinger.

Meanwhile, Israel Embassy officials continue to exchange views with State Department officials regarding the exact nature of Soviet leader Brezhnev's postponed visit to Cairo. More substantative talks will begin after Kissinger returns to Washington and meets with Ambassador Dinitz, who is also on vacation until Friday.

In private discussions with *The Jerusalem Post*, both American and Israeli officials have made the point that a significant opportunity for a breakthrough in talks between Egypt and Israel had resulted from the postponed visit. "Chances are very good now that serious negotiations may begin shortly, although the two sides are by no means close in their opening bargaining positions," one top official said.

It now appears virtually certain that the Soviet Union will not resume massive shipments of arms to Egypt, as had been expected. Egypt, as reported yesterday by *The Post*, was not yet ready to pay the political price the Soviets were demanding for the arms, specifically an end to Kissinger's single-handed diplomatic style.

The "Washington Post" reported yesterday from Beirut that the Soviet Union had begun large deliveries of arms to Egypt earlier this month, with promises that more would be forthcoming if political differences could be settled. It quoted "reliable Arab sources with good Communist-bloc contacts." It did not disclose what arms were sent to Cairo.

Press reports in the U.S. were virtually unanimous in their appraisals that the postponed visit represented a victory for Secretary Kissinger and a serious rift in Egyptian-Soviet relations.

# ITERN SENTENCED O EIGHT YEARS IN ARD LABOUR CAMP

/ (UPI). — A Soviet court sentenced Jewish physic- fikhail Shtern, 56, to eight a "strengthened regime" amp on charge of swindling e-taking, his son Viktor tern newsmen.

described the sentence as tated murder" and quoted r as saying the verdict was ace to all those who sow against the Jews." His aid he would appeal.

se, held in Vinnitsa, Uk- as provoked widespread of anti-Semitism by Jews Soviet Union and abroad. tivists said the trial was because Viktor and another 's sons applied to go to

who has been in deten- last May, was accused of money and goods in re- declaring men unfit for ervice, providing access to nd other favours and sell- cines for more than they pleaded innocent to all ges.

Shtern said defence lawyer xelbant planned to appeal d the alleged offenses did ve criminal responsibility.

*mig reports from Tel Aviv:* nviction and harsh sentence spite the fact that nearly witnesses put on the stand litically-inspired trial failed the case of the prosecution ad summoned them to - and ended either entirely the defendant of producing which tended to absolve ny guilt.

osecutor demanded that Dr. sent to a labour camp and serated there at a harsh r nine years. It is thought authorities had deliberately the verdict and sentencing Year's Eve in the belief the Western world pre- with New Year's celebra- news of the sentence will s public attention and, therefore, there will also be less of an outcry. Four years ago the Soviets employed precisely the same tactics when they scheduled the conclusion of the Leningrad trial just before the New Year.

The trial had attracted considerable international attention and elicited world-wide protests largely because the charges are seen as trumped-up because of the Shtern family's desire to emigrate to Israel. It was expected that the court would find Dr. Shtern guilty and would pass some sentence on him regardless of the fact that the testimony was overwhelmingly in his favour.

The severity of the sentence was unexpected. It is seen as an attempt to intimidate many Jews from even applying for emigration to Israel. Such pressure may be of particular importance to the Soviet authorities now, because many Soviet Jews had felt that the Jackson amendment had improved their chances to get an exit permit.

In the last statement he made to the court, Dr. Shtern himself said that the case should never have come up in the first place and that "it was all done out of malice to get back at me and my family for wishing to go to Israel." He said that the very fact that he was put on trial is in itself a travesty of justice as he had never taken bribes or done any wrong. In the cases where he accepted money from patients, the payments were to cover the cost of imported medicines which were not locally available.

His contentions were fully borne out by doctors who worked with him as well as by the witnesses, many of whom told the court that they owed their lives to the doctor. Some witnesses further reported that when Dr. Shtern found that they could not afford to pay for imported medication, he took money out of his own pocket to cover their cost. "Now I am put on trial for my devotion to my patients," Dr. Shtern told the court.

His alleged crimes go as far back as 1951 and in many countries the statutes of limitations alone would have ruled out a trial at this time. Among the bribes he is said to have received were three baskets of apples, a chicken, 70 eggs and two geese.

Initially Dr. Shtern was also accused of poisoning children, but this charge was later inexplicably deleted, probably following outcries in the West that it constitutes revival of the medieval blood-libel.

Dr. Shtern himself is a sick man who suffers from a serious heart condition and tuberculosis. When he was arrested seven months ago he had a black beard, but when he appeared at the trial his beard had turned white. He has a wife and two grown sons, Viktor and August, whose applications to go to Israel had sparked off the trial. The family was allowed to attend the trial only after considerable pressure. The judges never referred to the doctor as the defendant, but called him "the felon."

GOLD FOR SALE — Gold traders shout and wave as the bell rang at 12.01 p.m. at the Mid-America Commodity Exchange in Chicago yesterday. The man in centre foreground, seen in profile, A. Lawrence Carroll, made the first purchase of gold during the 14 minutes the trading was open. (AP, radiophoto)

# Americans buy gold legally — but slowly

NEW YORK (AP). — The nation's bankers and brokers were handling a lot of questions from the public, but few Americans were buying gold yesterday on the first day of legal ownership in 41 years.

By contrast, commodity exchanges dealing in contracts for future delivery of gold reported an unusually strong initial flurry, which slowed down as the day wore on.

At the international monetary market of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, a spokesman said 674 contracts were traded in the first 30 minutes, the busiest opening for any new commodity in that exchange's history.

Contracts for delivery of 100 troy ounces in January were selling there for $188.50 an ounce. Contracts for delivery in December 1975 hit $205.50.

"It's a wild house here," said a spokesman for the New York Mercantile Exchange, where trading in the opening minutes was halted due to an influx of orders. Likewise at the Commodity Exchange, Inc., in New York, frantic activity caused a trading halt seconds after the exchange opened.

Although Americans were apparently not beating dealers' doors down in any mad rush to get their hands on their metal, they were coming in to sell the gold coins they had bought earlier in the year and cash in their profits.

John Flynn, vice-president of Perera Fifth Avenue Inc. explained: "It was legal for Americans to own gold coins dated priod to 1960 and many Americans bought these coins at a small premium earlier this year when gold was at $140 to $150 an ounce. When they saw the gold price did not push through $200 an ounce in London on Monday they decided to come in and take their profits."

In Europe, the price of gold plunged sharply and fell well below the $200 level, which was first breached on Monday in apparent anticipation of a gold rush in the U.S.

In Paris, where gold hit a record $201.40 an ounce on Monday, gold dropped yesterday to a closing price of $195.27. Zurich's record high on Monday of $199 slumped to a closing price of 188. In London, where gold hit a record $199 on Monday, it closed at $186 yesterday. *(AP, UPI)*

## Sugar goes up again in UK

LONDON (UPI). — British housewives, starved of sugar in 1974 during the epic sugar shortage, will have to pay half as much again if they can find any sugar in the shops in 1975.

The price of a 2 lb. (800 grams) bag of sugar goes up to 28 pence (IL4.20) next Monday, a prices department spokesman said yesterday.

# 3 terrorists killed after border clash in North

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

**Three terrorists were killed in a clash with an Israeli patrol shortly after crossing the border from Lebanon near Zarit at 7.30 last night. There were no Israeli casualties.**

Shortly after the clash, an Israeli army vehicle came under small arms and bazooka fire near the scene of the incident. Here too there were no casualties.

The gang fired on the patrol and in the first reply volley, they were all killed. Kalatchnikov assault rifles, explosives and food were found on them.

The name of the E-Saika terror group was found on a water-bottle carried by one of them.

Israeli forces were maintaining a high alert throughout the north yesterday to forestall possible terrorist action on January 1, the 10th anniversary of the establishment of El Fatah.

# Cairo aims at Arab bloc moving to cooperate with U.S.

By ANAN SAFADI
POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

**THE END of 1974 yesterday saw President Anwar Sadat outmanoeuvre Soviet attempts toward re-establishing a foothold in Egypt as Cairo pressed for the consolidation of an independent Arab bloc moving towards greater cooperation with the U.S. for a Middle East political settlement.**

The Egyptian leader is making his latest strategic moves to the satisfaction of anti-Soviet Saudi Arabian King Faisal, who is taking over a greater role in the orchestration of Middle East affairs. The Saudi Arabian monarch this month will start on an extensive tour of Arab states beginning with Syria, Russia's closest Arab ally.

Syria was one of three Arab states, including Egypt and Iraq, which Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev was due to visit this month in what appeared to be a Kremlin attempt to restore the Soviet image in the Arab world — where the Americans have been dominating diplomacy. Brezhnev's visit was dramatically called off on Monday for still unexplained reasons.

Egyptian Ministers of War and Foreign Affairs, General Mohammed Abdul-Ghani Gamasy and Ismail Fahmy, yesterday wound up a three-day visit to Moscow, then returned home to report to President Sadat on the motives which prompted Brezhnev to "postpone" the much-heralded Middle East tour.

Cairo newspapers yesterday splashed news of the "agreement" between the Soviet Union and Egypt, Syria and Iraq on the postponement of the Brezhnev's visit, though they tried to play down its implications by claiming that it had no political connection.

"Al-Gomhouriya" said that the Soviet side had insisted on not making public the reasons for the postponement of Brezhnev's. "Al-Ahram" on its part reiterated that the state of Brezhnev's health might have been a major factor behind the postponement. But like "Al-Gomhouriya" it hinted that there were other reasons which the Soviets were not willing to disclose.

There was a consensus among observers yesterday that Brezhnev's planned visit was indeed upset by Sadat's reluctance to return to the Soviet orbit in exchange for the arms supplies he is seeking from the Russians.

Nevertheless, observers agreed that a rupture in relations between the two were avoided during the talks which Gen. Gamasy and Fahmy conducted in Moscow early this week, with the War Minister reportedly gaining a promise for a continuing flow of Soviet arms and spare parts for his armed forces.

Before leaving Moscow yesterday, Fahmy said that the talks he and Gamasy had had with Soviet leaders have provided both sides with "an opportunity for intensive contacts to consolidate relations between our countries in all spheres."

Fahmy made no reference to Brezhnev's postponed Arab tour, nor did he make mention of the Geneva conference, the reconvening of which both sides had earlier advocated for "an early date."

In New Year greetings to the three Soviet leaders, President Sadat yesterday expressed hope that relations and friendship between their two countries would gain strength in 1975.

Sadat was expected to embark early this month on extensive negotiations with Washington, which Foreign Minister Yigal Allon will visit late next week.

The Egyptian President is currently working at inter-Arab consultations mainly aimed at ensuring the success of next Saturday's planned four-way Cairo conference embracing Egypt, Syria, Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Egyptian news media yesterday indicated that Egypt has already guaranteed the full cooperation of Jordan with Egypt's strategical moves. Jordan's Premier Zaid Rifai, now on a visit to Egypt as guest of Sadat, was yesterday taken on a tour of the Suez Canal front where he was welcomed by the field commanders and troops.

## lexico may oin OPEC

re (UPI). — Mexico's ador to Washington ar- n Kuwait yesterday for possible Mexican mem- in the Organization of in Exporting Countries , government sources said. would not elaborate on that Mexico has already for membership in the ation, of which Kuwait ember.

me sources close to the stry said Mexico's oil ha was large enough to acceptance as a member 11-member organization. is talks in Kuwait, the ador will visit other Arab ducing countries for si- discussions, the sources

# her El Al workers eet on labour row

Jerusalem Post Staff

AL workers' committees — hat of the striking me- - are to meet at 10.00 this to try and find a solution deadlock between the me- and the Histadrut. The la- ation withdrew professional from the strikers on t could not be learned last e mechanics plan to send tives to the meeting this

ntatives of the airline's works committees, except of the maintenance men, more than three hours last th Histadrut trade depart- ders.

ma Woschina, the Histadrut Committee member who th transport workers, said t the labour federation would resume professional protection of the mechanics if all El Al works committees would sign an undertaking to abide by Histadrut decisions. The mechanics' committee last Friday refused to sign such an undertaking.

The labour dispute centres on the mechanics' insistance that they are not striking, while the airline says they engaged in a slowdown on December 21 in the midst of wage talks.

Appearing at a Jerusalem Labour Council meeting last night, Histadrut chief Yeruham Meshel said, "Grounding of El Al's fleet is a sin. I hope the planes will be airborne soon. We are not angry at the mechanics. All we ask is that they have faith in us to stand by their side.

"However, since we are a third party to their work agreement with management, we must remind them that a clause in that agreement requires them to give us prior notice of a labour dispute — something they have failed to do."

Mr. Meshel said he has received "many" telegrams from works committees throughout the country supporting the Histadrut's removal of its patronage from the mechanics.

The Haifa Labour Council yesterday dissociated itself from the Histadrut executive's "style of dealing" in the El Al dispute. Council Secretary Eliezer Molk and other secretariat members strongly criticized the withdrawal of union protection from the mechanics.

"It was an unreasonable thing to do in the circumstances," council members said.

## Volcano in awaii erupts

ANO, Hawaii (AP). — volcano on the island vaii erupted early yester- nding a shower of molten 30 metres into the night- ky.

spectacular lava shower the New Year's sky along kms. of fissures — or ks. They form a partial round the southern end craters of the volcano, at ation of about 1,200 m. verage fountain was 30 high.

President Katzir is shown greeting Christian church dignitaries at his annual New Year's Eve reception in Jerusalem yesterday. He clasps hand, of Greek Orthodox Patriarch Benedictos while Armenian Patriarch Yegishe Dederderian looks on. (Rahamim Israeli)

# Lisbon confirms talks on Angola in Kenya on Friday

LISBON (UPI). — The leaders of Angola's three black liberation movements will meet in Nairobi on Friday to discuss that West African territory's independence from Portugal, a presidential spokesman said yesterday.

The spokesman for President Francisco da Costa Gomes gave the confirmation of the meeting several hours after news reports from Nairobi quoted diplomatic sources as saying the talks would be held in the Kenyan port of Mombasa under the auspices of Kenyan President Jomo Kenyatta.

Angola is the last of Portugal's African colonies without a firm date for independence. Guinea-Bissau was granted full independence in September and Mozambique is due to become self-governing in June 1975. Former President Antonio de Spinola had said Angola would not be granted independence before 1976.

Three guerrilla groups, the Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA), headed by Agostinhon Neto, the Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA) led by Holden Roberto and Jonah Savimbi's Unita have claimed majority support among the population.

Government officials in Lisbon said the main barrier to setting a date for Angola's independence has been the inability of the three leaders to get together with Portugal at the conference table.

In New Delhi, an accord was signed yesterday whereby India and Portugal restored diplomatic relations 13 years after India took over Goa colony.

## Katzir host to Christian heads for New Year

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received the heads of Israel's Christian communities at a reception to mark the New Year. Addressing the guests at Beit Hanassi, the President said: "This annual reception gives us a most welcome opportunity to express our respect and appreciation for the Christian population of Israel."

The President paid tribute to the religious leaders for their efforts "to bring all the citizens of our country closer to each other and to achieve at last a state of peace."

Remarking on the tensions and difficulties of the past year, the President said that despite our sorrows, "we have never ceased our creative work in the land."

President Katzir noted that there had been several changes in the religious leadership during the year, and mentioned the contributions made by Archbishop George Appleton, Archbishop Pio Laghi, and Archbishop Joseph Raya.

The head of the Greek Orthodox Church, Patriarch Benedictos, expressed the leaders, appreciation for the President's "gracious address."

## Iran loan to Jordan

AMMAN (UPI). — Iran extended to Jordan a long-term $10m. loan yesterday under an agreement signed by the two countries, government sources said. The loan will be used to finance a housing-project for Jordanian army officers.

## Boy returned to Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

A 15-year-old boy brought back from Lebanon by an IDF raiding unit on suspicion of aiding terrorists was repatriated yesterday. Ali Haill Salimaan was detained with his father during an IDF search for terrorists in their village, Majdal Zoun, on November 11.

His father, the village Mukhtar (headman), was not returned. He and three other South Lebanese villagers are still being held in Israel as suspected collaborators with the terrorists.

The IDF Spokesman said that the boy was returned "on completion of the investigation."


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## THE WEATHER

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| Golan | 76 | 5—8 | 5—10 |
| Nahariya | 88 | 12—14 | 8—16 |
| Safad | 100 | 5—7 | 6—9 |
| Haifa Port | 91 | 10—11 | 10—14 |
| Tiberias | 95 | —14 | —16 |
| Nazareth | 93 | 8—10 | 6—12 |
| Afula | 84 | 6—11 | 6—14 |
| Shomron | 64 | 8—12 | 6—14 |
| Tel Aviv | 61 | 11—17 | 8—18 |
| B-G Airport | 55 | 8—18 | 6—20 |
| Jericho | 40 | 7—22 | 7—24 |
| Gaza | 58 | 9—19 | 9—20 |
| Beersheba | 46 | 6—17 | 6—19 |
| Eilat | 27 | 9—28 | 12—25 |
| Tiran Straits | 38 | 12—22 | 15—25 |

## Social and Personal

Premier Yitzhak Rabin on Monday made a call on President Ephraim Katzir.

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The President of the European Parliament, Mr. Cornelius Berkhouwer, yesterday called on President Ephraim Katzir and on Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. During his call on President Katzir Mr. Berkhouwer was accompanied by Mrs. Berkhouwer.

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President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received Labour Minister Moshe Baram.

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Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday received Mr. Claude Cheysson, member of the European Common Market in charge of development.

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Tourism Minister Moshe Kol and Mrs. Kol yesterday were luncheon hosts to the President of the European Parliament, Mr. Cornelius Berkhouwer and Mrs. Berkhouwer. The luncheon was attended by Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner and Mrs. Hausner, and by Mr. Yehuda Sha'ari, M.K.

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The Anglo-Israel Chamber of Commerce (Israel) is holding a luncheon in honour of The Hon. Greville Janner, QC, MP, at the Basel Hotel Rehov Hayarkon, Tel Aviv, at 1.15 p.m. today.

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Dr. Sara Gaulan was elected national president at the general meeting of the Association of University Women in Israel on Sunday. She succeeds Mrs. Miriam Eshkol. Mrs. Leah Doll was elected national secretary succeeding Mrs. Lea Weitz-Cohen.

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Mr. Itzhak Avni, Director of the Israel Government Coins and Medals Corporation, will be the guest speaker at the weekly meeting of Rotary Tel Aviv (South) at the Sheraton Hotel tonight at 8.30 o'clock.

# Father of Heller case suspects seeks order to lift blackout

Jerusalem Post Staff

The father of the suspect in the Rachel Heller murder case will today ask Haifa judge Eliezer Neumann to lift the news blackout he has imposed on the case. Yesterday Supreme Court Justice Yitzhak Cohen turned down an application by the suspect's lawyer, Haim Misgav, for an order calling on the police to show cause why they should not let him talk privately to the suspect.

The father claims that the secrecy prejudiced his son's case and that open and public justice for him would soon show that he had no connection with the murder. The suspect was remanded in custody for 15 days last Thursday.

Rachel Heller's body was found in the Caesarea sand dunes on October 24. Last week, the investigation took a surprise turn when it emerged that police were investigating the fact that the 19-year-old soldier was a member of an ultra-leftist Trotskyist faction. This also led to the reopening of the investigation into another death — that of reservist Yisrael Leuchter, 23, whose body was found near by, in September. He was also said to have been connected with ultra-leftist politics.

In Jerusalem, Justice Cohen transferred lawyer Haim Misgav's application to a hearing of a bench of three justices on Thursday. Misgav says in his application that the police have turned down all his requests to speak with his client. They only time that he saw the suspect was on Friday, for the signing of a power of attorney in the presence of police personnel.

Police spokesmen yesterday refused to comment on the case, but criticized the rash of reports in the press despite the court ban on publications. National Police spokesman Nitzav Mishne Nahum Bosmi issued a statement dissociating the police from all reports that have appeared and declaring the police would adhere to the blackout. The Justice Ministry spokesman said the State Attorney was investigating whether there had been violations of the court order.

The commander of the northern district police, Nitzav Shimon Eshed, told radio interviewah that he had ordered an investigation to discover if police personnel had leaked reports to the press on the case. He cited the report in the press that bloodstains had been found in a suspect's car and a mobile laboratory had been brought to Haifa to examine them.

Police Inspector General Shaul Rosolio is reported to have been outraged at a number of leaks in various cases recently and attempts have been made to crack down. In some cases, police officers have been given lie detector tests, it is learned.

Meanwhile, a relative of the late Yisrael Leuchter told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that the investigation into his death was reopened after the family wrote to Rav Nitzav Rosolio pointing out the resemblance between his death and the Rachel Heller case.

Like Heller, his body, which was found floating on the Alexander River near Caesarea, was naked.

Leuchter, who was single, was a correspondent for a sports newspaper and a university student. Fellow reservists and other people who knew *him* and saw *him* a short time before, claimed that he was not depressed and had not talked about committing suicide.

According to the family, Leuchter was not interested in politics, and specially not in left-wing groups. Reports had said that he was a member of the same Trotskyist group as Heller, know as Avant-Garde.

The family cannot understand reports that he spent the last night of his life trying to talk with the parents of Udi Adiv in Kibbutz Gan Shmuel. Adiv, a member of a Syrian spy ring, is now in jail. Leuchter was stopped at the entrance by guards and was not allowed to talk with Udi's parents, the report said. He was allowed to sleep in one of the empty rooms at the kibbutz and in the morning he was taken to Givat Olga, west of Hadera, several kilometres from Nahal Alexander, where he met his death.

The police closed the file after receiving the autopsy report that the cause of death had been drowning and that there had been no signs of violence.

In Jerusalem, the Avant-Garde organization put out a statement declaring that the Rachel Heller case was becoming "the biggest blood libel in the history of the state." They said the man held by the police as a suspect had been interrogated by the police at his own request by lie detector and hynopsis, which had proved he had nothing to do with the murder.

The president of the Press Council, Dr. Yehoshua Rotenstreich, said yesterday that he had the impression that reports on the case in the communications media constituted a breach of the court ban on publication. "What is happening is incitement and creation of a hostile atmosphere to anyone politically connected to the case," he told a radio interviewer.

Aluf Mishne Ze'ev Ofer (left) has been appointed OC Training Command. He replaces Aluf Mishne Zvi Levanon (centre), who is to be appointed to another senior IDF post. Aluf Mishne Benyamin Inbar (right) has replaced A/M Ofer as OC Jerusalem District Brigade. (IDF Photos)

# U.S. Jews 'ready to man the barricades' for Israel's security

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The delegation of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations met with the Zionist Executive yesterday morning, and reported that America's support for Israel is still strong, and that the Jews in the U.S. are ready to "man the barricades" to ensure Israel's security.

Delegates told Pinhas Sapir, who chaired the meeting, that Russian Jews who left Israel for the U.S. were meeting with serious absorption problems in their new home. They disagreed, however, on what to do about them. Some said the American Jewish community should extend help to the "drop-outs," while others maintained that, since they were given full help in Israel, they should not be accorded special privileges in the U.S.

A forgetful messenger was responsible for a dispute between the Likud and the Presidents' Conference yesterday. MK Haim Landau had asked that the delegates meet with the Likud Executive in a separate meeting besides today's scheduled visit to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee. The Conference agreed, but the message was not relayed to Mr. Landau, and Likud leader Menahem Begin said his colleagues should boycott the Committee meeting. The misunderstanding was straightened out, and the Presidents' Conference will meet with Likud leaders today after all.

The delegates were received at Beit Hanassi by President Ephraim Katzir last night.

ISRAEL WEEKLY LOTTERY 1st PRIZE HALF MILLION
TOMORROW
מפעל הפיס

## Provocateurs are blamed

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek said yesterday that the explosive charge dismantled in the Al-Kuds Cinema in East Jerusalem's Port Said Street on Monday night "could have injured dozens of residents of East and West Jerusalem."

An usher found the crude bomb in the cinema's men's room and called police sappers, who dismantled it.

Mr. Kollek said the usher's alertness prevented a terrorist act which could have resulted in tension between Jewish and Arab residents of the capital.

"I am certain that the majority of residents want a peaceful life, but regretfully there are a few provocateurs who try to sabotage this peaceful coexistence." (Itim)

## Beit Shean blood drive brings poor results

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEIT SHEAN. — Magen David Adom officials were disappointed with the poor results of their two-day blood drive which finished here yesterday. Only 200 people donated blood.

The potential for the area is 2,000, MDA officials said. MDA director for Beit Shean Yosef Yohai said that he had expected better results, especially after the terrorist attack on the town of November 19.

Cutting the ribbon at the festive opening of the Jerusalem Hilton Hotel last night. Left to right: Curt Strand, President of Hilton International, Deputy Communications Minister Jaber Muadi M.K., (in the background), Anthony Clegg, area vice-chairman of Hilton International, Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, Mayor Teddy Kollek, and Hilton Hotel manager Aris Dimopoulos. (Werner Braun)

# Unesco experts had only praise for dig in Temple Mount area

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The head of the archaeological dig in the Temple Mount area said yesterday that the Unesco experts who had visited the excavations over the past few years had been emphatic in their praise for the work being carried out there.

Prof. Binyamin Mazar was responding to members of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Organizations inquiring about the Unesco condemnation of Israel, which focused on Prof. Mazar's excavations.

Touring the archaeological site with the visitors, Prof. Mazar said that there had been nothing but praise for the digs from Prof. Raymond Lemaire of Belgium and Prof. Reining of Holland, the two experts sent out by Unesco. "They were emphatically in favour of our excavations," he said. Alleged danger to the Aksa mosque because of the digs, he said, was "a fantasy."

Prof. Mazar noted that Kathleen Kenyon had carried out extensive digs on the Ophel (David's City) during the Jordanian administration without any public outcry. Even at present, he said, German archaeologists were digging in the Muristan inside the Old City and archaeologists from other nations were at work in and around Jerusalem. "They say we are changing the character of Jerusalem," he said. "The Russians (who joined the Unesco censure motion) are of course tremendously interested in the religious character of Jerusalem. The only one who didn't change the character of Jerusalem was King Hussein who permitted building atop the City of David." By building up the site — the site of the original Jerusalem — priceless archaeological data had been destroyed and most of the slope closed off to excavation, he said.

Pointing across the Kidron Valley at a mosque at the edge of the Jewish cemetery on the Mount of Olives, Prof. Mazar said it might seem strange to build a new mosque so close to the Aksa mosque. He noted that mosques existed next to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and other Christian and Jewish places of worship. "It was the strategy of the Jordanian Government to cover the whole area with mosques and to destroy the Jewish presence."

Prof. Mazar said that relations with Arabs living in the area were excellent, many of them serving as workmen on the digs or renting out quarters to the expedition for storerooms and offices. As for the Moslem Council, he said, relations were also excellent, the members periodically being given tours of the site and sharing coffee with Prof. Mazar and other members of the team. The Moslem leaders were specially interested in the large palaces built by the Arabs shortly after the Moslem conquest of Jerusalem. Impressive remains had been uncovered by the Mazar team.

In the afternoon, the visitors met with Mayor Teddy Kollek who told them that East Jerusalem Arabs wanted a united city "no matter what the future of the city might be." Although they might want to see Arab sovereignty over East Jerusalem, he said, they did not want barriers once again dividing the city. "They want one city with separate councils, perhaps. Even this is an achievement after seven years."

## Aharonson bribe case opens

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Avraham "Abrasha" Aharonson was yesterday charged in the District Court here with having attempted to bribe a member of the Bat Yam City Council to switch his allegiance from the Likud faction to the Alignment.

The charge sheet says that Aharonson, 56, offered Likud council member Moshe Ozer the position of deputy-mayor, a car and driver, and a large sum of cash. According to the prosecution the sum offered by Aharonson was so big that several families could live off the interest alone.

## LOTTO DRAW

TEL AVIV. — The winning six numbers in the lotto draw are: 13, 21, 23, 24, 30 and 34, Mifal Hapayis announced yesterday. The additional number (which Mifal Hapayis adds) was 08.

# Jerusalem Hilton opens in quiet New Year

Jerusalem Post Staff

Top billing among the country's hotels in last night's New Year's eve celebrations went to the formal opening of the Jerusalem Hilton Hotel. For the occasion the Hilton International organization flew in ten chefs from abroad, to reinforce the 25 mobilized locally to provide fitting fare for the glittering crowd.

In the presence of the Minister of Tourism, Moshe Kol, the 21-storey triple-towered structure was officially declared open by Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem and Curt Strand, president of Hilton International.

A mezuza was put in place by the officiating rabbi before the actual ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The hotel, owned by the Jerusalem Hilton Associates, is the 60th to be operated by the Hilton International chain in 39 countries. It is the second Hilton in Israel, junior to its Tel Aviv colleague by nine years.

In a brief address, Mr. Kol expressed the hope that the new Hilton will not just be satisfied with a slice of Jerusalem's present tourist cake, but that it will add a layer to it.

Following greetings by Mayor Kollek, Mr. Strand voiced his company's deep appreciation for the assistance extended by both Mr. Kol and Jerusalem's Mayor in solving the many problems that had to be overcome. Countering Mr. Kollek's quip that the Jerusalem Hilton would be "the best Hilton until the next one was built," Mr. Strand assured him that it would be some years before his company undertook to build a hostelry on the same lavish scale as that of the Holy City's.

In Tel Aviv the New Year was welcomed in a much more subdued fashion than on previous occasions. Rehov Dizengoff's shop windows, dimmed by Government orders to save electricity, reflected the low-key mood. The shortage of money and the ever-present awareness of last year's war were felt in the less lavish preparations, whether by dressmakers, hairdressers, caterers, gift shops or florists. There were fewer messenger boys in the streets bearing gift parcels of expensive foreign liquors and chocolates.

New Year's eve dinners at luxury hotels at IL155 a couple were popular, reflecting the desire of the newlyrich to celebrate "Sylvester," even if in a muted fashion. Smaller places, however, were obliged to advertise to attract patrons. Unlike previous years no big-name entertainers were flown in from abroad. Even the entertainment industry operated in low-key; instead of all the big halls and cinemas being full for two performances — there were mainly shows geared to the teenage crowd.

Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef on Sunday ruled that Jews may not take part in New Year's celebration of the Gregorian calendar. According to Rabbi Yosef, the day is linked historically with Christian lore and the subsequent persecutions.

# MKs give a crash civics course to 40 new immigrants

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Forty new immigrants were treated to a crash civic course in Jerusalem yesterday, their teachers were four of the nation's lawmakers and their classroom the first-floor lecture hall of the Knesset.

The unusual programme, introduced for the first time yesterday by Knesset public information director Zippora Ofri, in cooperation with the Absorption Ministry, will be repeated at least once a month at the Knesset.

The inner workings of Israel's parliament, the electoral and party systems, the Knesset Member's busy schedule and more were described during the four-hour session to the students — mostly Russians enrolled in job retraining courses who have a good command of Hebrew.

"Israel's first lawmaker was Moses and their first parliament was the 70-member Sanhedrin," began Knesset speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu in the spacious, wood-panelled hall. Though somewhat simplistic and candy-coated ("the Knesset sometimes meets in Tel Aviv on Friday so members can get home in time for candle-lighting with their family.") Mr. Yeshayahu did an admirable job as he filled in the immigrants on the ways of Israeli democracy. His audience listened attentively and took copious notes in Hebrew, Russian and Spanish.

Throwing open the floor for questions, the Speaker explained why Israel's founders did not write a constitution (no time and the insistence by religious groups that a written document would diminish the importance of Jewish law), and why the number of immigrants this year has fallen considerably below last year's figure (intransigence of the Soviets in granting exit permits, and problems in Israel).

But he was surprised by a torrent of personal questions that the immigrants, impressed by a man of authority, hoped he could answer. "How come my lift was lost at the airport?" asked one. "Why is the Histadrut acting so strangely in the El Al strike?"

More questions were answered by a panel of MK Haika Grossman (Alignment), MK Mordechai Ben-Porat (Alignment), MK Ben-Zion Keshet (Likud) and MK Avraham Melamed (NRP).

Ben-Porat explained to a Russian who asked why Knesset members weren't elected on a district basis that "I'm in favour of changing the system. We're making progress on a bill for direct election of mayors, and are discussing ways of making MKs responsible to a local constituency." Melamed opposed the district system, however, saying that to introduce it would create artificial local interests and competition between one region and another.

MK Keshet emphasized that, unlike the USSR, Israel allows its citizens to criticize the Government. "If you don't like how they're running the country or absorbing immigrants, don't throw out the country; throw out the Government," said Likud MK Keshet. He added that immigrants should not listen to complaints by some veteran Israelis that they are taking things at the expense of people who have lived here for years. "Each wave of immigration brings more jobs and more prosperity."

Following a discussion of the role of the parliamentary reporter by "Ma'ariv" Knesset correspondent Yehoshua Bitsur, the immigrants sat in for a few minutes on a Knesset session — at that time sparsely attended by MKs.

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(leaving at 2.30 p.m. from Ichilov Hospital).

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Dafna, David
Debbie, Judy, Lucy

# Wered's debts being collected, Knesset told

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Economic Committee chairman Yigal Horowitz sought to leave an impression in the Knesset yesterday that the Wered water resources development corporation got involved in insoluble financial problems partly because Justice Minister Haim Zadok was its legal adviser (before entering the Cabinet).

Opening a three-hour plenum debate on the Finance Committee's agreement (during the summer) to cover the final IL50m. of Wered's losses, Horowitz tried to compare Zadok's professional position vis-a-vis Wered to the position of the Israel Corporation's auditors, who failed to draw their observations to the attention of the board of directors.

He also charged that the Government would have continued to ignore the Attorney-General's recommendation to suspend Mekorot director-general Ze'ev Kariv, had it not been for irresistible public pressure.

Horowitz's Likud colleague, Yigal Cohen, of Moshav Tel Adashim, made his maiden speech in the Wered debate. He stressed that his personal credo as a State List man was inherited from former Premier David Ben-Gurion, who taught that the public interest must have priority over party as well as private interest.

Cohen said that Wered went on the rocks because of a distorted system, which enabled the directors to get the board's approval for their decisions *post factum*, yet released them of responsibility and punishment for IL90m. worth of losses when Wered went bankrupt.

Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzzan said that Wered's debts were being collected all the time. In a number of African countries, political difficulties were holding up debt collection, Uzzan said. Some $4m. had been recovered, and commitments secured to get back $1.5m. more, but some $2m. was still in doubt.

The plenum finally approved a Coalition-sponsored motion which merely noted the statement of the Minister, who is responsible to parliament for the water companies.

# Meshel says State not getting enough taxes from the rich

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Compulsory arbitration is opposed to sound labour relations and will never work here, Histadrut secretary Yeruham Meshel said yesterday.

Addressing a meeting of works committee delegates at the Jerusalem Labour Council, Mr. Meshel said: "The Histadrut is against compulsory arbitration because it believes all outstanding issues between employers and their workers must be directly negotiated — through the Histadrut."

Mr. Meshel told the delegates that the Government's economic austerity programme was doomed to failure "unless the burden of taxation is put on a more equitable basis."

He assailed Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz for being "too slow" in pushing for tax reforms. "He should hurry up and collect more from those who are getting rich here. After all, all those millions they are making were earned here. They didn't bring them into the country from abroad. Many of these people have never paid an honest tax to this day, and those who have just begun paying it are in arrears for millions of pounds."

Mr. Meshel also attacked Government economists who called for reduction or elimination of the cost-of-living increment because it is an inflationary factor. "Under no circumstances will we ever agree to that because we are not convinced that it causes higher prices. In fact, the payments come after prices have risen."

In addition to the payment, which is linked to the Consumers' Price Index, the Histadrut will demand special monthly increments for families with more than two children, as follows: three children, IL254; four, IL443; five, IL610; six, IL774; seven, IL931; eight, IL1,038; and nine, IL1,245.

Mr. Meshel said he is prepared to publicize the wages of all managers of Histadrut companies if all other firms do the same. "If some of their managers' income is made known, it will be easy to understand why so many of them rushed to announce they were ready to forgo their cost-of-living increment. I am sure that if you people were earning such salaries as theirs you, too, wouldn't be reluctant to give up the c-o-l increment as your contribution to the austerity programme."

## Rishon Hapoel down Beit Shemesh, 7-3

TEL AVIV. — Rishon Lezion Hapoel yesterday beat Beit Shemesh Hapoel 7:3 in a postponed league "A" match, to go to the top of the southern division. The game was played at the neutral Ramat Amidar pitch, in the absence of spectators, as a Football Association punishment of Beit Shemesh for rowdiness at their ground. Rishon Lezion led 3:1 at half-time.

Petah Tikva Hapoel beat Augsburg of Germany 4:1 in a friendly game. Augsburg play Kfar Saba Hapoel at 2 p.m. today.

## Israel-Germany tie in youth soccer

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel and Germany drew 1:1 and Rumania beat Norway 1:0 in the opening matches of the International Youth Soccer Tourney at the Bloomfield Stadium. Rumania plays Germany and Israel faces Norway in the second-round matches today.

Israel took the lead against Germany with a goal by Oded ... ness, but the Germans evened the score in the ... minute. The Rumanians got their winner over Norway in the last minute of play.

The countries are represented by players up to the age of 18.

# Tourism '74—Israel did better than other countries

By GEORGE LEONOF
Jerusalem Post Travel Correspondent

Despite dire predictions and e security situation, Israel rism finished 1974 in a far tter relative position that most the world's traditional tourist untries. Tourism Minister oshe Kol told a press conferce in Tel Aviv yesterday.

He said that 623,000 tourists rived during the year, a drop of t per cent over 1973. But inflaon, the energy crisis and the retant rocketing of travel and her costs resulted in far more rious setbacks to Spain, Switzerd, France, Italy and Yugoslavia, gely because fewer Americans e going abroad. In some counies the decline was as much as per cent compared with 1973.

Mr. Kol stressed that the figure 623,000 does not include some 5,000 Arab visitors, a 4 per cent crease over 1973.

He said tourism has remained vital and vigorous export indusy in Israel, and has showed it uld quickly recover from such ave handicaps as the War of Attion along the Syrian border at e start of the year and the conct in Cyprus, which twice during e summer had suspended all ghts to Israel except those of e national airline, El Al.

The reasons for this are that ael's constant tourist attractions mained largely unaffected by the ctors which caused the sharp op in world tourism. These were position as the homeland of the wish people and as the cradle the world's three great monoeistic religions.

The drop in the number of Chriens coming to Israel was even smaller than that of Jews. During the 1974 Christmas week, 19,000 tourists came, as against 18,000 the year before.

Europe was the largest source of tourists last year. It provided 298,000 visitors, comprising a 5 per cent decrease. The U.S. accounted for 204,000, an 11 per cent drop, while the largest increase came from Argentina, whose 10,600 visitors almost doubled the previous year's figure. South Africa showed the next largest increase, 13 per cent, and 18,000 in absolute figures.

Tourism remained the country's greatest source of foreign currency earnings, bringing in $200m. during 1974. Although this was less than the $230m. earned in 1973, Mr. Kol said this should be viewed in the light of the devaluation expectations, and the steadily growing gap, from last summer, between the official and black market rate of the dollar before the devaluation was proclaimed. This had resulted in as much as $50m. being absorbed by black market operators.

Mr. Kol said incentive payments to hotels, which had been suspended with the announcement of the new exchange rate, would be resumed as from March 1 next. The amount of the incentive is to be fixed by the beginning of February. The previous incentive was IL1.10 per dollar.

The Minister would not speculate about the new incentive payment, but stressed that tourism is a highly productive export industry, with 79 cents of each dollar remaining in the country. He saw no reason why tourist enterprises should get less than the incentive of IL1.80 per dollar given other sectors of the export industry.

## Luxury tourists stay aboard

Jerusalem Post Reporter

IFA. — The 1,200 tourists on Italian luxury liner Raffaello had ay weather during their 40-hour t to Israel on Monday and yesday, and many of them preferred aining abroad to going sightng. The 300 metre, 24,500 ton sel is on an eight-day cruise of the Eastern Mediterranean and has already called at Beirut and Alexandria.

A Rumanian liner, the Transylvania, docked yesterday with 370 visitors, mainly Turks, for a two day visit. On Monday, the Achille Lauro sailed after its 750 passengers visited Jerusalem and Galilee.

# Law to set up national pension scheme urged

By MAGABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

L AVIV. — The promulgation of aw providing for a "national pen a scheme" — based on existing sion funds — was called for yesday by Mr. Ya'acov Vilan, head the mutual aid department of the stadrut. The Histadrut itself has en different pension funds, each lored to the needs of various ments of the population, such farm hands, clerks and building rkers.

The future national health law to be based on the existing sick ds).

Mr. Vilan said that 85 per cent the wage-earners in the country re eligible for pensions in one m or another. The majority, out 70 per cent of the total, were mbers of one or another of the stadrut pension funds, to which ey contributed through monthly yments. Another 15 per cent were gible for budgetary pensions — ey were employed by the governnt or the local authorities, and would receive old age pensions without paying monthly.

"This leaves about 300,000 wage earners and self-employed persons in Israel without any pension rights other than their national security benefits," he said. (Most pensioners in the country receive both a pension from one of the Histadrut funds or from the government, and from the National Insurance Institute.)

Mr. Vilan said that the setting up of one national pension scheme would increase "labour mobility" as no worker would be deprived of his pension rights by switching jobs. At present, he said, the Histadrut was striving for "labour mobility" by making arrangements for switching the rights of a member of one of its pensions founds to another.

The seven Histadrut pension funds had reserves of IL8,000 million. It was now paying pensions to some 50,000 persons, who were receiving a total of IL400m. to IL500m. yearly.

# Eban rejects proposal from T.A. University

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Reports that former Foreign Minister Abba Eban has rejected a proposal to become president of Tel Aviv University were confirmed by reliable university sources here.

The proposal to Mr. Eban was made in view of the appointment of the present president, Prof. Yuval Ne'eman, to the post of special scientific aide to Defence Minister Shimon Peres. Prof. Ne'eman, apart from being university president, is head of the university's Physics and Astronomy Department, and it was thought that the three jobs would be too demanding.

Prof. Ne'eman will now make up his mind whether he intends to stay on as president of the university. A decision is expected within the coming few days.

Prof. Ne'eman has already served more than three of his four-year term as president. He is the university's second president and succeeded Dr. George S. Wise to the post.

Mr. Eban is understood to have said that the job of university president would be far too time-consuming to allow him to carry out his political activities.

## Hotels oppose tax proposal

Jerusalem Post Tourism Correspondent

The executive of the Hotels Association yesterday declared its total opposition to the proposal of Jerusalem's Mayor Teddy Kollek to extend the social welfare tax to tourists staying in hotels.

In a letter to Interior Minister Yosef Burg, the hoteliers expressed their surprise that the proposal should now come precisely from the man (Mr. Kollek) who, when he stood at the head of the Government Tourist Company (forerunner of the Ministry), fought for the exemption of tourists from the tax. The letter emphasized that extension of the tax to tourists would raise hotel costs by 10 per cent at a time of serious crisis in world tourism, and intensified world competition.

In a telegram to the Minister of Tourism, Moshe Kol, the association expresses confidence in his continued support of its stand and opposition of the proposed tax.

## 'Tokyo firms fear Arab blackmail'

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Japanese businessmen are reluctant to do business here, fearing blackmail, according to the Middle East correspondent of the prestigious Japanese daily "Asahi Shinbun."

Seiichi Kubota, visiting here from his base in Teheran, told *The Jerusalem Post* on Friday that Japanese businessmen "are easily blackmailed and at present cannot express themselves freely." He noted that here are two Japanese businessmen in Israel, compared with 1,600 in Teheran. "The minute there is peace here, you will find yourselves 'occupied' by Japanese businessmen," he laughed.

Mr. Kubota visited Cairo after the Yom Kippur War and said the people there were self-confident and optimitic: "They actually believe they won the Yom Kippur War and are waiting for the Suez Canal to open, positive this will bring in a lot of money to the country, turning Egypt into a modern economic nation."

He said the Japanese are neither pro-Israel nor pro-Arab but look at the Middle East conflict in terms of its economic aspects for Japan. Japanese intellectuals and businessmen are influenced by the American news media he said, "which as everyone knows is pro-Israeli."

Cats in the Armenian Quarter of the Old City of Jerusalem have come to rely on a daily distribution of food, from a veteran Arab policeman, in the courtyard of the police station. (Yisraeli)

# IDF wants to recover IL30m. it overpaid families during war

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The IDF paid IL30 million too much in family allowances to reservists during the Yom Kippur War and the nine-month period after it. This month the IDF's Payments Administration will begin an operation aimed at getting the money back.

First, all reservists who were overpaid will be notified of their debt by mail and asked to return the money. Those who cannot afford to pay the whole sum immediately will be allowed to do so in instalments.

Later, the debts will be collected by legal means. The Payments Administration has the same collection powers as the Income Tax authorities.

The debts range from IL1 to IL5,000. The total is five per cent of the entire amount paid out for family allowances.

The payments administration set up a special unit to handle the operation, which is being conducted with the help of a computer. The unit's first task was to draw up a list of debtors, excluding the many reservists who returned the cheques voluntarily, as well as all casualties and prisoners of war.

Manpower Division sources explained the overpayment on the desire to make sure that reservists' families received the money they needed quickly, without the delay entailed in careful examination. They also mentioned the faulty reporting from the field units, partially caused by the rapid unexpected mobilisation.

# Why Sadat expelled the Russians in 1972

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Three Israeli scholars expressed the view here yesterday that President Sadat of Egypt is still the leading figure in the Arab world, though circumstances have changed since Nasser's death. Prof. Shimon Shamir, Dr. Itamar Rabinovich and Mr. Daniel Dishon, all members of the Shiloah Centre for Middle Eastern and African Studies, spoke at the concluding session of the "Colloquium on the Middle East Between 1967 and 1973" held at the Tel Aviv University.

Prof. Shamir said he accepted Sadat's assurance that he had sent the Soviets away in 1972 in order to have a free hand to attack Israel in November of that year. If there were delays in the plan, Prof. Shamir said, it was because the Egyptian commanders, including their Chief of Staff, doubted Egypt's ability to go to war without the arms the Soviet Union was hesitant to send. Then General Ahmed Sadek was replaced by Ahmed Ismail as War Minister and the preparations proceeded at high pace. Prof. Shamir said he based his paper on Egyptian public statements as well as on interviews he had had with Egyptian prisoners of war in 1973.

Dr. Rabinovich said that Syria was a passive partner in the events which led to the Yom Kippur War.

After the 1967 war, the Syrians lost confidence in Egypt and in Nasser's ability to lead. However, Sadat managed to restore a degree of Syrian confidence in Egypt.

Mr. Dishon noted in his paper on inter-Arab relations that "greater acceptance of national sovereignty" yielded a larger measure of solidarity among the Arabs in 1973 than in 1967. However, such acts of "Arab solidarity" as the use of the oil weapon resulted mainly from pragmatism rather than from ideological identity. An attempt to dictate oil prices in 1967 totally failed, Mr. Dishon noted.

# No Capucci 'deal' with Arabs or Church

By DAVID LANDAU
*Jerusalem Post Reporter*

"A complete status quo." This was the phrase used yesterday by a highly placed source to describe the situation of Archbishop Hilarion Capucci, serving a twelve-year sentence for gun-running for the Fatah. There had been no proposals made, *either to Israel or by Israel, for his* release as part of a "deal" with the Arab world or with the Catholic Church.

The Israeli authorities were not contemplating such a deal, the source continued, nor had it been the subject of a meeting on Monday between Justice Minister Zadok and leading clerics of Capucci's Greek Catholic community in Jerusalem and the West Bank.

Palestinian terrorist sources have alleged that Israel seeks the release *of Syrian Jewry* in exchange for freeing the Syrian-born Archbishop. "But who's offering us that?" the source asked with a note of wistful realism.

Archbishop Capucci was sentenced by the Jerusalem District Court on December 9 to a total of 57 years' imprisonment — in five terms to run concurrently over twelve years — on charges of gun-smuggling from Lebanon to Israel on behalf of the Fatah.

His lawyer, Aziz Shehadeh of Ramallah, has not yet lodged an appeal against conviction or sentence. He has another three weeks to do so, but informed sources said they did not expect the Archbishop to appeal. An East Jerusalem resident, Capucci insisted throughout his trial that the Israeli court had no jurisdiction to try him.

The Archbishop has been maintaining a quasi-hunger strike in his prison cell, eating (willingly) only concentrated, vitamin-packed, liquid food portions and refusing regular meals. Medical sources say he can continue this diet indefinitely without it affecting him adversely.

The Archbishop also partakes of wafers and wine, specially provided him twice daily for his religious rites. He is visited periodically by Red Cross representatives and by members of his church. He has been allocated a cell for himself but, apart from this and the religious requisites, he lives under similar conditions to those of other prisoners.

'IT WILL BE A SLOW YEAR FOR EVERYBODY'

# Astrologer is not sure of war in 1975

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMLE. — The year 1975 will be a slow one for everyone — businessmen, lovers and even military men, according to astrologer Hans Zeuger, a resident of Moshav Tal Shahar near here.

The astrologer, who has a reputation for accurate predictions, said yesterday that the "slow-pace" year is due to the dominance of the slow-moving planets, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. This means there will be no decisive change in our present troubles until mid-September.

During the Yom Kippur War, Zeuger predicted when the cease-fire would take effect and the start of talks between Israel and the Arabs. He also said that Israel would win the war. Before the war, he had advised officials "to take Egyptian President Sadat's war threats seriously."

The present no-war-no-peace situation will continue, Mr. Zeuger said, adding that during June and July there will be threats of war and great military activity. He cannot predict if this will develop into a war. "It depends on whether we will be prepared and on the alert. The June-July confrontation will not only involve the countries in this area but Russia and the U.S.," he said.

Because of the slow-moving planets, the sluggish economic situation will continue, especially in the building trade. There will be new bank scandals, and other economic difficulties. The crime rate will continue to rise, there will be troubles in jails and hospitals, and of course strikes.

There will be great political activity, with heated sessions in the Knesset, which might bring about new elections. Mr. Zeuger predicts that if elections are held before September, there will not be any significant changes in Israel's political map.

Mr. Zeuger added that since the radiation of heavenly bodies is more or less the same both in Israel and its neighbours, he predicts that "we will all be suffering more or less the same calamities." On a note of optimism, he said that Saturn, the Jewish planet, in September enters the Zodiac sign of Leo, which will bring about a certain improvement in the general situation in Israel, specially greater cooperation with the U.S.

## Quins get gift of IL5,000

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Three of the Medina quintuplets born in Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital were fed milk by tube for the first time yesterday; the other two, reported in "almost good condition," were given fluids intravenously.

Mrs. Tova Medina, still tired but cheerful after giving birth, received a letter from Mrs. Hadassah Berman, who gave birth three years ago to Israel's first set of quins, four of whom survived. "I hope you will enjoy bringing up your babies as much as I enjoy mine," she wrote.

Mrs. Rose Matzkin, president of Hadassah, told Mrs. Medina that her women's organization is giving IL1,000 to each of the babies, and an additional IL1,000 to the parents.

# Soviet Jews get Dutch advice in emigrating

During 1974, some 11,000 Russian Jews called on the Netherlands Embassy in Moscow to have their papers prepared for emigration to Israel, according to a report from Moscow published in the Dutch "Algemeine Dagblad."

In addition the embassy is flooded with questions about emigration of tens of thousands of Jews who, fearing retaliatory measures, are afraid to apply personally.

Since the Six Day War, when Moscow severed diplomatic relations with Israel, the Netherlands has been looking after the interests of Israel in the Soviet Union and some other East European countries.

Dealing with emigration to Israel is an immense task overshadowing all other assignments of the embassy. It is executed with a relatively speaking small staff working behind electronically closed doors. In charge is an aristocratic-looking friendly diplomat, Dr. L.V.M. van Gorp, who is perhaps one of the few people to know how may Jews have left the Soviet Union.

# Waldheim asked to pay bill of terrorist

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim is being asked to pay the hotel bill of the Arab-linked terrorist who carried out the grenade attack at the Chen Cinema here last month.

The Commodore Hotel's IL58.65 account — cost of a single occupancy of a double room for one night by "Alexander Hooper" — was sent by registered mail this week to Dr. Waldheim by Commodore manager Maurice Sharon.

In his covering letter to the Secretary-General, Mr. Sharon writes: "In view of the fact that the UN, of which you are head, recently received PLO leader Yasser Arafat as an official delegate, and Mr. Arafat in turn proudly took full responsibility for the Chen Cinema outrage, Your Excellency seems the most appropriate address to which we can turn for payment of the terrorist's outstanding bill. I look forward to settlement of this matter at your earliest convenience, to enable the hotel to close its accounts for the year 1974."

Mr. Sharon told *The Jerusalem Post* that he was sending the bill to the Secretary-General "as a matter of principle." Should the account actually be paid, he would, of course, donate it to charity.

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# More sanctions at potash plant

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEER-SHEBA. — The 600 workers of the Dead Sea potash plant in Sdom have cut by half the time for loading export cargo, from 16 to 8 hours. This is the latest of the sanctions they are taking to back a demand for the same income tax reduction as received in border towns, because the plant is situated close to the Jordanian border and has in the past been the target of terror attacks.

The sanctions started two weeks ago. First the men refused to do overtime maintenance work. Then they barred shipments of raw material to six other plants connected with the Dead Sea Works.

The Finance and the Commerce and Industry Ministers are refusing to meet the workers until they stop the sanctions.

The Director-General of the Dead Sea Works, Ariel Shahar, says the management is not taking any steps against the workers, to avoid a sharpening of the conflict. "Production is very high and the workers employed in production are working the normal three eight-hour shifts," he said.

## T.A. pupils to go on guard

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ministry of Education has approved a Tel Aviv Municipality plan under which 11th and 12th graders will guard kindergartens and other educational institutions.

The watch-shifts will be counted as part of the national service programme in which all high school pupils take part.

The plan is expected to be implemented soon. The pupils will still have to be trained and briefed.

In addition to high school pupils, municipal yeshiva students will also be assigned to guard duty. The municipal yeshivas have already given their approval to the scheme.

# Shot Israeli worked for Alitalia

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A 34-year-old Israeli ground hostess employed by Alitalia, Lesh Cohen, who lives on Rehov Bograshov here, is recovering in hospital in Asmara, Ethiopia, after having a kidney removed. Earlier reports from abroad had identified her as an El Al hostess who was shot in a kidney by Ethiopian troops 11 days ago when she failed to respond to a signal for her to stop her car.

A spokesman for Alitalia said Miss Cohen had not been driving when the shooting incident occurred but had been with friends in a car when troops signalled to stop. The driver panicked and tried to flee and the soldiers started shooting. The hostess reportedly was the only one hurt, Alitalia sources said.

Part of Miss Cohen's family lives in Asmara, where she was visiting when the incident occurred. Alitalia says it is receiving bulletins on her health through its main office in Rome.

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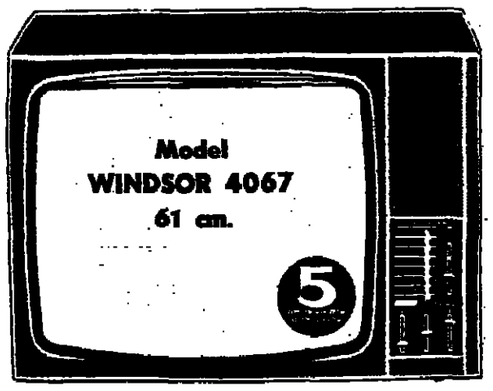


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# OAU aim is 'cultural revolution;' Uganda bans foreign publications

ADDIS ABABA.—The Organization of African Unity (OAU) yesterday pledged increased efforts towards a "cultural revolution" aimed at a revaluation of African history and culture.

In a New Year's message for 1975, the Secretary-General of the OAU, William Eteki-Mboumoua, said the most dangerous of all moves to divide Africa was in the sphere of culture. Colonialism had attempted to falsify and obliterate African history.

"The colonizer has always tried to restrict our ego, downgrade our culture, and parody our history," he said.

In Kampala yesterday, an order banning the sale in Uganda of newspapers and magazines published outside the country was announced by a Government spokesman. Anybody found selling them would be jailed, the government radio said.

A few months ago, the government banned a number of papers — mainly British — from circulating what it termed false propaganda against Uganda's President Idi Amin and his military government.

*(AP, Reuter)*

# Misery or peace in S.A. — Vorster

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter). — South African Prime Minister John Vorster said last night that the alternative to peace in Southern Africa was an escalation of violence which could cause untold misery and destruction.

In a New Year's broadcast to the nation, Mr. Vorster said the Republic aimed to seek peaceful solutions to the problems of Africa rathern than confrontation.

"The alternative for peace is escalation of violence, having the potential of enveloping Southern Africa in a conflagration which will take a heavy toll of lives and cause untold misery and destruction," Mr. Vorster said.

# Puerto Rico bomb blasts as Rockefeller visits

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP). — Terrorists set off four bombs and planted five others early yesterday in incidents coinciding with a vacation visit by U.S. Vice-President Nelson Rockefeller and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

The bombs exploded at two branches of the Chase Manhattan Bank, a power plant and at a gas pipeline, causing damage but no injuries, police reported. Unexploded bombs also were found at two other Chase branches, two other power stations and a supermarket. Rockefeller's brother, David, is chairman of the Chase Bank.

Rockefeller told newsmen he doesn't plan to interrupt his vacation because of the bombings. "The same thing has happened in New York," he said. When pressed for further comment, Rockefeller replied sharply: "What do you want me to do? Go down there and clean things up?"

Damage was slight at the Chase branches in suburban Bayamon and in the Rio Piedras section of San Juan. But the blast at the power station on the eastern end of the island near Humacao knocked out electricity to the entire city of 36,000 and an adjacent area. Police estimated damage there at $100,000.

# Protests at decision to send refugees back to China

HONGKONG. — Protests are continuing here at the action of the Hongkong Government in returning to the mainland refugees from Communist China. The action began several weeks ago, and those being sent back are "illegal immigrants" who cannot prove they have relatives willing to receive them, reports the 'Free China Weekly."

Students here have presented a petition to the Governor asking him to stop sending refugees back to the Communists, charging that he has submitted to Communist pressure.

After 52 more refugees were returned last week, anti-repatriation posters have began reappearing in streets calling on the government to "stop the brutal act for the sake of humanitarianism." The posters were first distributed when the refugees began to be returned.

So far 193 refugees have been sent back by the Hongkong Government. Another protest was expressed by Derek Davies, editor of the influential English-language "Far Eastern Review." In his popular column, "Traveller's Tales," Davies said the Hongkong authorities were adding to the sum total of human misery by their repatriation move.

# Black Rhodesians will talk with British FM

SALISBURY. — African nationalists yesterday accepted the invitation of British Foreign Secretary James Callaghan to meet with him to discuss the future of Rhodesia in talks in neighbouring Zambia.

They said no date had been fixed for the talks but they would fly to Lusaka later in the week.

The acting head of the African National Council (ANC), Dr. Elliot Gabellah, said he will lead the delegation representing Rhodesia's five million blacks. He told newsmen the invitation for talks came through the Zambian Government, whose leader. President Kenneth Kaunda, earlier helped arrange the cease-fire in the black insurgency against Premier Ian Smith's government.

Diplomats speculated Callaghan might hold discussions with the Rhodesian nationalists either tomorrow or Friday.

Two formerly detained African leaders, Joshua Nkomo and the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole, also will meet with Callaghan, who arrived in Lusaka yesterday at the start of a six-nation tour of Africa. The fourth ANC delegate will be Edson Sithole, the organization's publicity secretary and constitutional expert.

On arrival, Callaghan said: "I hope to meet ANC leaders and would be willing to meet anyone if I thought it would help solve the constitutional problem."

Meanwhile, the Rhodesian Government said an African woman has been arrested in connection with the December 23 murder of four South African policemen by guerrillas in the Mount Darwin area.

The government also listed yesterday incidents disrupting the cease-fire, which it said involved guerrillas over the past 11 days. This follows a statement on Monday by the Deputy Minister to the Prime Minister, Ted Sutton Pryce, who described the guerrillas as bandits.

Items on the list included the killing of the four South African policemen and the injuring of six security force members in land mine incidents, the murder of two tribesmen and the wounding of two others, the serious injuring of an African civilian in a land mine explosion, the abduction of four district assistants who later escaped and the abduction of 10 villagers who are still missing, an assault on a headman and his wife, the damaging of three security force vehicles with recently laid land mines, an attack on a protected village and the theft of registration certificates from their owners. *(UPI, AP)*

Anthony Barbaro, 17, a high school student of Olean, New York, wears a gas mask as he lies on the floor after police subdued him. He allegedly shot and killed three people on Monday. A marksman in his school's rifle team, he shot at passers-by from a third-floor room in the school until police stormed the room. He was arraigned on three murder charges yesterday. Authorities said they did not know why he went on the shooting rampage. (AP)

# DARWIN EMERGENCY IS OVER

DARWIN, Australia (AP). — The federal coordinator of disaster operations in Darwin yesterday formally declared that he considered the state of emergency here over. A cyclone devastated Darwin on Christmas Day, killing 48 people.

He then handed power over the city back to local officials, two days ahead of schedule.

Major-General Allan Stretton, director of the national disaster organization, made his announcement in a letter to the administrator of the northern territory, Jock Nelson.

# Bahrain holds 3 for killing Jew

BAHRAIN (Reuter). — Bahrain police hunting three men who robbed a Jewish money-changer here three months ago and shot him dead said yesterday they were holding a man for questioning.

They identified him as an Omani, and said he was detained two days ago, but gave no other details.

Hazkeel Ibrahim Ezra, a Jew of Iraqi origin with family in the U.S., was murdered at his shop in Bahrain's capital on September 30.

Police later offered an unprecedented 2,000 dinars (about IL36,000) reward for information on his killers, and Bahrain's ruler, Sheikh Isa Bin Sulman al-Khalifa, personally expressed sympathy to Ezra's two sons, who flew from New York for the funeral.

## Terror group flown to Cuba

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP). — Armed terrorists released Nicaragua's foreign minister and other hostages on Monday after a 60-hour siege in a luxury home, then were flown to Cuba with sympathizers the government freed from jails.

The plane arrived in Havana, then returned to Managua with three diplomats and a Roman Catholic archbishop who had gone along to insure the safety of the terrorist band and their compatriots.

The main bazaar of Patan in northern Pakistan after the village was flattened by an earthquake. (AP radiophoto)

# Pakistan quake toll reaches 5,200 as new tremors hit Indus Valley

PATAN, Pakistan. — The death toll in Pakistan's earthquake catastrophe rose to more than 5,200 yesterday, as reports filtered in from devastated mountain villages cut off for three days. Two new earthquakes rumbled through the Indus Valley last night, adding to the death and destruction.

Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto flew into the disaster area in the snow-capped Karakoram Mountains and appealed for international aid; and rescue workers expressed fears that hundreds more might die of exposure in the near-zero cold. Over 16,000 people were injured.

Bhutto, visibly shaken by the destruction and staggering casualties, spoke to a gathering of the homeless and injured with many of the men and women weeping openly.

"All we can do is draw the world's attention to what has happened in the hope of a real and positive response to the very real and substantial damage," Bhutto said.

Brigadier Aftab Ahmad Khan, who is supervising the rescue operation, said 2,000 to 3,000 tents are urgently needed to provide shelter for those whose homes have been demolished, as well as medicine, blankets, food and "literally tons of plaster of Paris" to set thousands of broken limbs.

The major problem facing rescue workers is the inaccessibility of most of the earthquake region, 320 kms. north of the capital of Islamabad.

The Karakoram Highway — the region's main artery — was severed along 100 kms. of its length by the earthquake and is expected to take at least three weeks to clear, the army says.

Nearly all rescue work is being done by army helicopters.

Reports from the growing wave of injured flocking to Patan for medical treatment and food indicate that thousands are still in the mountains in urgent need of assistance. About 1,000 have been treated at two hospitals set up here.

Helicopter crews yesterday reached two villages hidden away in remote mountain valleys and learned of at least 250 dead and 500 here in each of them. The officials thought there are other villages in the same plight, and expect the toll to be still higher. *(AP, UPI, Reuter)*

# Amazon Indians object to highway kill 3 agents in rain of arrows

MANAUS, Brazil (AP). — Warriors of an Amazon tribe killed three Government Indian agents by shooting them with steel-tipped arrows at a jungle campsite, a survivor of the attack reported yesterday.

It was the third fatal attack since October by members of the Waimiri-Atroari tribe, whose lands north of Manaus are being penetrated by a highway construction project. The Indians have killed 12 outsiders in the three attacks.

Iva Lima Ferreira said he fled to a road construction camp after being wounded in the latest incident. Ferreira said a fifth Indian agent in the group was carried into the jungle by the attackers.

One of the dead was veteran Indian "pacifier" Gilberto Pinto Figueiredo Costa, 49.

Ferreira said that Costa had flown to the Abonari II encampment last weekend to meet with Indians, who were angered by the construction of the Manaus-Caracarai highway. The Waimiri-Atroari, who had spent two days consulting peacefully with Costa, disappeared from the site before dawn, but returned shouting war cries and firing arrows at Indian workers, Ferreira said.

He added that Costa, feeling that the Indian chief — a friend of the past eight years — would not kill him, fired his pistol twice in the air before a rain of arrows aimed into his back and thighs brought him to the ground.

In October, six Indian agents were killed by the Waimiri-Atroari at a contact station deep in the jungle. A month later, tribesmen killed two workers from a highway construction crew.

# Hostages stabbed in U.S. jail

WALLA WALLA, Washington (AP). — Guards stormed their way into a prison hospital to rescue two women hostages who were being stabbed by convicts in one of two disturbances on Monday at the Washington state penitentiary.

The women were among 13 persons held hostages by prisoners during the disturbances, which occurred at nearly the same time Monday. All of the hostages were later freed.

The two inmates forced their way on to the first floor of the three-story hospital and first seized two doctors. Then they released the doctors and moved to the second floor, taking six more hostages.

As guards carrying riot sticks stormed the floor and freed the hostages, the prisoners began stabbing two women hostages.

About the same time, some inmates took control of a cellblock wing and held five guards hostage. Two prison officials negotiated for their release after entering the cellblock.

# Muslim murder informer killed in U.S. prison

PHILADELPHIA (AP). — A defendant-turned-informer in the 1973 slayings of seven Hanafi Muslims in Washington was murdered over the weekend in his cell at Holmesburg prison.

The city's medical examiner reported on Monday that the killing was made to appear like suicide.

Dr. Marvin Aronson said an autopsy revealed that James "Bubbles" Price was strangled with shoelaces and hanged from a heat vent with a length of bedsheet.

Price's body was discovered hanging in the cell on Sunday.

Aronson's report said that Price, 25, had been cut about the anus and his face showed marks of being beaten.

Prison officials said Price had provided the government with evidence that helped convict five men in the 1973 killings.

# Nixon Foundation to be dissolved, board decides

BRUSSELS. — The Richard Nixon Foundation will be dissolved and its plans and funds for a Nixon library and museum given to Whittier College, foundation president Leonard K. Firestone announced yesterday.

Firestone, whom Nixon appointed American ambassador to Belgium, said the foundation was being closed down because "a majority of the board members feel that present circumstances militate against carrying out the purposes of the foundation at this time."

Firestone said the decision was taken after a poll of the 25 board members. One board member, Herbert Kalmbach, is in jail and three others, John Mitchell, John Ehrlichman and Robert Haldeman are on trial in Washington.

In Dallas, Texas, Evangelist Billy Graham said on Monday he may have been "used" by members of the Nixon administration, who capitalized on his friendship with Richard Nixon to bolster the former President's image.

"Maybe I was naive at that time — maybe I was used," Graham said during a news conference. *(UPI, AP)*

# Watergate jury to rehear tapes

WASHINGTON (AP). — The jury in the Watergate cover-up trial, in its first full day of deliberations yesterday, asked to rehear two of the most important White House tapes.

The jury sent a note to U.S. district judge John Sirica asking to hear the conversation on June 23, 1972, between Nixon and defendant H.R. Haldeman, in which they discussed using the Central Intelligence Agency to divert the FBI from its Watergate investigation.

The second request was for the conversation in which White House counsel John Dean told Nixon there was "a cancer" growing on the presidency.

# Argentine leftists execute two managers of factory

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — Marxist guerrillas assaulted a suburban paint factory on Monday and assassinated the president and personnel manager, police sources reported.

The sources identified the victims as Roberto Abeigon, the president of the Miluz Company, and personnel manager Miguel Manuel Martinez. Their bodies were then dumped on the Panamerican Highway, which caused the police to believe at first that the shootings had occurred there.

The People's Revolutionary Army — ERP — later claimed responsibility for the attack and said it was retaliating for the deaths on December 14 of two leftist workers.

The ERP commandos held Miluz employees at gunpoint while they gunned down Abeigon, then walked to a nearby office and killed Martinez, the sources said.


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# Arafat's New Year resolution: More terror acts in Israel

BEIRUT. — Yasser Arafat, chief of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, has said 1975 will be the year "of revolutionary escalation in our military and political struggle inside Israel, in the Arab world and in the international arena."

In an interview in the Beirut paper "An Nahar," Arafat said, "It will be the most dangerous year for the Arabs... because if they fail to achieve the transitory objectives set by the Rabat summit conference for 1975, a stalemate will develop until at least 1977."

He said nothing could be accomplished diplomatically in 1976 because "it will be the year of American elections and Israeli blackmail. In that case, the question would be shelved until 1977 and would inevitably head toward a military collision." Arafat expressed fear that Israel would have the initiative in a new war.

Arafat said Kissinger's peace-making efforts were bound to collapse because American policy still is obstinately based on ignoring the rights of the Palestinian people and seeking a settlement through bilateral and separate deals between Israel and the Arab countries."

"This diplomacy," he said, "will founder on the rock of Zionist ambitions and the rock of imperialist interest in this part of the world, especially the oil interests."

Arafat paid warm tribute to the Lebanese position in the Middle East conflict and "when our people return to their land after liberation, they will continue to remember the stand of the Lebanese people."

He said the PLO leadership was currently making a thorough study of the possibility of forming a government-in-exile.

"At the moment the Palestinian leadership will regard as opportune, the Palestinian government will be announced," he said.

Arafat said the foreign ministers of Egypt, Syria and Jordan would meet with a PLO representative in a four-power conference on Saturday to draft a common line on formation of an independent Palestinian state.

The Palestine question, Arafat said, "is the crux of the Middle East crisis and, no solution can be reached unless Palestinian rights are reinstated."

He called on France to lead a "new European initiative" on the Middle East. "France has taken a leading role by calling for the establishment of a Palestinian homeland. I hope the French Government of President Valery Giscard d'Estaing will be able to follow that up with a new European initiative," he said.

Arafat praised Greek Catholic Archbishop Hilarion Capucci, imprisoned in Jerusalem for gun running for the Fatah.

"I feel proud to have this prince of the Christian church in our ranks," he said. "He stands as a living proof of the legitimacy of our concept of a secular and democratic Palestinian state."

In an interview published in Milan yesterday, Arafat was quoted as saying West European states should influence the U.S. not to help Israel.

"Western Europe must at least stop any form of support or help to the Israeli aggressor," he said.

*(AP, Reuter)*

## *Libya offers $46m. in arms to Lebanon*

BEIRUT (Reuter). — The pro-Libyan newspaper "As-Safir" said yesterday that Libya had expressed its readiness to immediately supply Lebanon with a preliminary consignment of arms worth $46m.

It quoted well-informed sources as saying that Libya was ready to pay for any arms which Lebanon chose to buy from abroad, but within the limits of that sum.

A Libyan military delegation arrived in Lebanon on Sunday to discuss Lebanon's arms requirements. A Lebanese military delegation visited Libya on December 21 for the purpose, according to the Libyan News Agency Arna.

Lebanese Premier Rashid al-Solh recently told parliament that Lebanon had asked for arms from the Arab countries to enable it to "repel Israeli attacks against the south." He later said he had received replies from several Arab states which he declined to name.

# Iraq says villages shelled by Iran

BEIRUT. — Iranian artillery shelled border villages in the north of Iraq on Sunday and Monday, causing casualties and material damage, a communique issued by the general command, of the Iraqi armed forces said yesterday.

The communique, distributed by the Iraqi News Agency, warned against the consequences of this "aggression."

Meanwhile a newspaper in Amman, "Al Ra'y," said the border dispute between Iraq and Iran will feature prominently in the talks between King Hussein and the Shah of Iran during the latter's visit to Jordan starting next Monday.

The Iraqi communique said Iran's American-made 175mm. artillery shelled the region and town of Daza in the north for two hours on Sunday "causing civilian casualties and damaging civilian installations."

The following day, the communique said, the same area was shelled again, which led to "further loss of civilian lives and additional damage.

"We reiterate our previous warning to Iranian authorities and draw attention to the consequences of such aggressions," the communique said.

The Iraqi-Iranian border region has been tense for the past several weeks. Earlier this month, two Iraqi jet-fighters were shot down by Iranian Hawk missiles. Iranian Government sources confirmed the planes were downed, but claimed they had violated Iranian airspace.

*(UPI, Reuter)*

# France buries 42 miners

LIEVIN, France. — A mass funeral was held yesterday for 31 of the 42 miners killed in an explosion 700 metres below the surface last Friday. Private services were held for the 11 other victims.

Premier Jacques Chirac represented the government at the ceremony on the esplanade in front of the town hall. Six miners in work uniforms with helmets and lamps surrounded each coffin. Other miners in uniform were ranged in a semi-circle in front of the town hall.

The Premier told the crowd estimated at 30,000 attending the ceremony: "I shall not repeat what miners, the widows and orphans have heard a hundred times for a century. Our absolute duty is to do everything to reduce the risks. Full light will be thrown on this tragedy and all the consequences will be drawn from it."

*(AP, UPI)*

## Britain frees 20 prisoners

# IRA truce extended

BELFAST (UPI). — Britain said yesterday it is freeing 20 Irish Republican Army prisoners from internment, giving 50 others a three-day New Year's parole and granting 100 an early release — a move designed to bring an extension of the IRA holiday truce.

IRA sources said the 11-day cease-fire, scheduled to expire at midnight tomorrow, would be continued for a month as a result.

Britain's Northern Ireland office announced the prisoner release from Maze prison against a backdrop of last-minute developments indicating both it and the IRA were willing to make concessions to extend the truce.

None of the IRA prisoners to be released was a leader of the organization. The 20 imprisoned without charge were to be freed immediately along with those with three-day paroles and the 100 prisoners whose sentences were not to be completed until March.

The British government's top representative in Northern Ireland, Merlyn Reese, said that if there is a sustained cease-fire, Britain would begin withdrawing its 16,000 troops and begin releasing prisoners held under internment.

Reese, in his annual new year's message to the people of Ulster, said: "I said before Christmas that a genuine and sustained cessation of violence will create a new situation and new opportunities for progress.

"If that occurs, the government will not be found wanting in its response."

# 'NIGERIANS BROUGHT THEIR OWN CHOLERA TO MECCA'

BEIRUT (AP). — Saudi Arabia yesterday said that cholera which killed dozens of Nigerian Moslem pilgrims in Mecca was brought into the country by the Nigerians themselves.

A statement issued by the Saudi embassy in Cairo and reported by Egypt's Middle East News Agency accused the Nigerians of violating health regulations and using false medical reports.

The statement said 28 Nigerian corpses had been found in a Mecca house that the Nigerians were using as a makshift hospital.

The statement did not give the total death toll but said the figure of 300 dead reported by a Nigerian newspaper was exaggerated.

"Proof that the Nigerians brought the cholera themselves lies in the fact that the disease broke out only one day after the pilgrims had arrived in Saudi Arabia," the statement said.

# Rebel threat to major town in Vietnam battle

SAIGON (AP). — South Vietnamese troops were reported locked in heavy fighting yesterday with communist-led forces 120 km. north of Saigon. The South Vietnamese were battling to hold on to the government's only remaining district town in isolated Phuoc Long province, bordering Cambodia. Three of the province's four district towns have been overrun since December 6. The province is cut off by road and being supplied only by air.

The Saigon command said the district town, also called Phuoc Binh, but 4 km. southwest of the provincial capital of the same name, is in danger of falling after being pounded by 500 artillery shells and a series of infantry assaults.

Some military observers said the North Vietnamese could capture Phuoc Binh city any time they wanted but apparently are holding back in efforts to minimize their own losses.

As 174 closed out, the Saigon command reported that South Vietnamese forces have suffered 27,355 men killed, 110,777 wounded and 15,084 missing in the nearly two years since the cease-fire agreement that was supposed to end the bloodshed was signed in January 1973.

During the same period, the command claimed, South Vietnamese forces have killed 104,670 North Vietnamese and Vietcong troops. But military analysts say this is only an estimate and likely an inflated one. The Communist side has declined to disclose its losses.

In Saigon a 35-year-old Vietnamese Army captain, Le Van Nga, burned himself to death before dawn Sunday, the Military Command reported yesterday. The captain left two letters, one to his uncle and aunt and one to President Nguyen Van Thieu. He wrote that his self-immolation was "purely religious" and had no political motive.

## 'Amarcord' wins best film award

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Norwegian actress Liv Ullmann has been named the best actress for 1974 by the New York Film Critics circle. She was selected on Monday for her role in Ingmar Bergman's film "Scenes from a Marriage."

Jack Nicholson was named best actor for his performances in the films "Chinatown" and "The Last Detail," while Italian director Federico Fellini's "Amarcord" was chosen as best picture of the year.

Charles Boyer earned the best supporting actor award for his performance in "Stavisky" while Valerie Perrine was named best supporting actress for her role in "Lenny."

CONVENTION. — The religious leaders of the Arab world — both Moslems and Christians — will meet in Cairo on January 16 to discuss the "question" of Jerusalem, Patriarch Maximos V Hakim of the Greek Catholic Church said in Cairo yesterday.

# America faces main issue: Economic crisis

By JOSEPH KRAFT

WASHINGTON. — A FUNNY THING happened to America on the way to the 21st century. For a long time the most powerful country in the world squandered its emotions and attention on what were essentially secondary matters — diversions even.

But now, as the third quarter of the 20th century gives way to the fourth, the Age of Aquarius is on the wane. The United States concentrates on central issues, and there is a growing perception of the need to rebuild traditional institutions of power, justice and culture.

Just to list American concerns of the last 15 years is to reveal how secondary they were. Take Vietnam. How ludicrous to think now of those who called it a struggle to safeguard the free world. How overstated the case of those who asserted that the commitment implied a total indictment of American civilization.

Consider, next, the space programme and that moment of ecstasy when man first stood upon the moon. Hardly a poet alive did not then proclaim that the exploration of the heavens offered a new goal for mankind. But how little that all seems to matter now.

Then there were the protest movements — by students and minorities. Claims were staked for a new morality; and counterclaims asserted of a threat to the very principle of authority. How idle those claims now seem.

Lastly, there was Watergate. The President and his men charged that the innermost national institutions would be wrecked. Many on the other side expected a purification of the system. All were wrong.

As much as anybody, I suppose, I entered into the transports of the times. So I do not want to demean those who felt the need to become committed. Still, it does seem clear in retrospect that the last part of the third quarter of the century was notably long on sound and fury.

The more so when measured against present concerns with energy and the economy. Watergate and space and Vietnam and protests were largely media events — something that happened on television. But inflation and slump engage Americans directly, and touch millions, not just a fraction of the population.

Not only are more people more directly involved, but the present difficulties require a many-sided effort. A special prosecutor forced Mr. Nixon out. A crash programme brought the astronauts to the moon. Slight adjustments calmed the protests. In Vietnam, what the United States basically did was to walk away.

Such devices are of no avail when trying to cope with the energy-cum-economy crisis. Whatever measures are taken, or not taken, have to engage basic relations of American society — relations among government and business and labour; relations with the oil-producing countries of Asia, Latin America, the Middle East and Africa; relations with the consuming countries of the industrialized world.

Whatever approach is followed enters deep into the bloodstream of daily life. The economic problem is quite essentially a problem of the centre. It is impossible to solve the whole puzzle without getting every piece into place. No useful first steps are even possible without co-ordination of many efforts — a brain in the dinosaur.

It is fit in these conditions that no one seems to be coming forward with one-shot solutions. There is, on the contrary, a striking absence of calls for a special this or a crash that which is supposed to solve everything. For the first time in years, in fact, there come calls for a rebuilding of ordinary institutions. Thus the Watergate Special Prosecutor, Henry Ruth, disparages talk of making his office permanent, and pushes instead for improving the Department of Justice.

Two Chicago sociologists — Morris Janowitz and Charles Moskos — look at America's volunteer army and, instead of more tinkering and innovation, issue an appeal "for a reconstruction of military legitimacy." The avant-garde critic Hilton Kramer defines his present purpose as "an archaeological one... keeping alive a sense of masterworks, of tradition."

I do not believe that President Ford and his advisers are apt to come up soon, if at all, with the right ticket for the current economic problems. Still, as the final quarter of a century begins, it can at least be said that Americans are at last beginning to get serious again.

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Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.

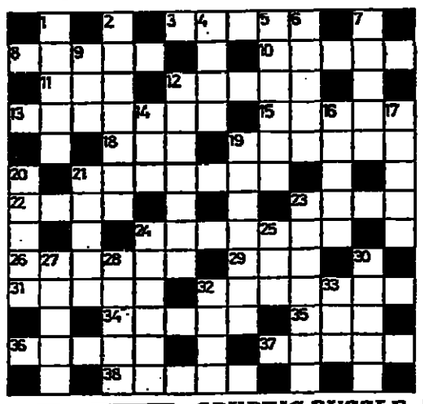
## EASY PUZZLE

**ACROSS**

2 Frock (5)
8 Postpone (5)
10 Christened (5)
11 Farmyard animal (3)
12 Custom (5)
13 Went to bed (7)
15 Scottish musician (5)
18 Rail (3)
20 Feeble with age (6)
21 Hospital official (7)
22 Shoe-string (4)
23 Well-behaved (4)
24 Small piece (7)
26 Couch (6)
29 Vast period (3)
31 Old weapon (5)
32 Insect's feeler (7)
34 Jumped (5)
35 Floor-covering (3)
37 Sheets of glass (5)
38 At no time (5)

**DOWN**

1 Drive back (5)
2 Readable (7)
4 Study (4)
5 Marksman (6)
6 Material (5)
7 Even (5)
9 Healthy (3)
12 Brave woman (7)
14 Male animal (3)
16 Airman (5)
17 Prepared (5)
19 Snake (7)
20 Category (5)
21 Sharp (5)
23 Army officer (7)
24 Placid (6)
25 Cooking-vessel (3)
27 Fencing-swords (6)
28 Claw (5)
30 Wrath (5)
32 Church part (4)
33 Devout woman (3)



Monday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—1, Glass. 6, Actor. 9, Torpedo. 10, Basin. 11, Moler. 13, Perth. 15, Mermaid. 18, Cue. 17, Arle. 18, Basher. 19, Royal. 20, Eyelet. 22, Fate. 24, Hen. 25, Merited. 26, Batman. 27, Angel. 28, Funny. 29, Rainbow. 30, Adder. 31, Needy.

DOWN. — 2, Leader. 3, Stigma. 4, Son. 5, Speed. 6, Admiral. 7, Cool. 8, Opaque. 12, Pilot. 13, Mater. 14, Bipen. 15, Chest. 16, Fired. 18, Raven. 19, Regular. 21, Yearned. 22, Figure. 23, Tassel. 25, March. 26, Hare. 28, Fun.

Monday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS. — 1, F-east. 6, S-Al-ly. 9, Coo-lies. 10, Spare. 11, Tzimz. 12, Be-tty. 13, Answers. 15, Mir. 17 (ran) Idly. 18, Defile. 19, Swear. 22, (legs) Eleven. 22, Test. 24, Des. 25, AC-cesz. 26, Aside. 27, Hindi. 28, Beats. 29, Ad-opted. 30, Gnome. 31, Tosca.

DOWN. — 2, Expand. 3, Screwy. 4, Te-E. 5, Flies. 6, Settler. 7, A-shy. 8, Lea-fil. 12, Brow-N. 13, Aimed. 14, Sleet. 15, Miles. 16, Gents. 18, Dance. 19, Seaside. 21, L-e-g-ies. 22, Te-led-e. 23, Static. 25, Ada-PT. 26, A-dam. 28, Bet.

## CRYPTIC PUZZLE

**ACROSS**

3 Military power? (5)
8 Wine a man gets a piece of cork in (5)
10 A bit on the side? (5)
11 Oh, *him*! (3)
12 Capacity for metrication (5)
13 Chivalrous young man in pain (7)
15 She's in the States, sad to say (5)
18 Allowed to suffer? (3)
19 Notice the maid is royal (6)
21 Make tests on a hat (7)
22 Casualty edits a daily, all but one article (4)
23 Parental errors? (4)
24 She shows us how to treat a cold woman (7)
26 Slowly move logs, etc. (6)
29 He gets a kiss from a cat (3)
31 Horrify a very quiet little man (5)
32 Has great trouble dissolving tablets (7)
34 He makes Ken embrace Vi (5)
35 Platform product (3)
36 If you don't call them "ladies," they may get the needle (5)
37 Where the prisoners had nothing to wave? (5)
38 Right, mate, let's get together! (5)

**DOWN**

1 He turns up with Nabal in the Bible (5)
2 Payment of a crown? (7)
4 Heavenly silence? (4)
5 Box to carry along (6)
6 They're used by sportsmen of the thrusting type (5)
7 It's written by professionals, we hear (5)
9 A boss in the cold mountains (5)
12 Prince? (7)
14 Deepest part of a river (3)
16 Saintly tune on the way up? (5)
17 Came up like a flower (5)
19 Knocker of the PO? (7)
20 Female string quartet member (5)
21 Fall in production of plums (5)
23 Given the early bath for being dirty (4, 2)
24 She loses her head when an eel wriggles! (6)
25 North Atlantic sou'-wester? (3)
27 West Ham park (5)
28 Street tradesman? (5)
30 Wait for a day out (5)
32 Paper boy (4)
33 Diamond girl? (3)

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY

# WHAT'S ON

**Plant a Tree in Israel with Your Own Hands:** free tours for planters to the Hills of Judea leave every Monday and Wednesday from Jerusalem and every Tuesday from Tel Aviv. For details and registration please call Visitors' Department; Keren Kayemet Leisrael (Jewish National Fund); in Jerusalem, King George Ave., corner Rehov Keren Kayemet. Tel. 02-35281. In Tel Aviv, 96 Rehov Hayarkon, opp. Dan Hotel. Tel. 03-234449.

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**HEBREW UNIVERSITY,** tours in English at 9 and 11 a.m. from Administration Building, Givat Ram Campus. Mount Scopus tours 11.30 a.m. from Truman Building. Further details: Tel. 35430.

**Jerusalem Biblical Zoo,** Schneller Wood, Romema. Tel. 533822. 7.30 a.m. — dusk.

**AT THE KHAN THEATRE** (opposite the railway station). A folklore evening for tourists. With Inbal dance group, every Wednesday at 9.00 p.m.

**New Israeli Films:** Latest Israeli Films screened weekdays at 12 noon at Keren Hayesod Hall, Jewish Agency Building, Jerusalem. Admission free.

**TEL AVIV**

**Tel Aviv Museum** 27, Sderot Shaul Hamelech. Visiting hours: Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs., 10 a.m. — 5 p.m., Tues. 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m. -2 p.m., Sat. 6-10 p.m. Exhibition: Yoram Rozov — Drawings. Zacks Hall — Works by Jewish Artists, 17th and 18th century painting — from the museum collections.

**Meyerhoff Hall:** Israeli art. Jaglom Hall, Impressionism. Haft Hall: Kinetic art. Helena Rubinstein Pavilion, 6 Rehov Tarsat. David Ben-Gurion 1886-1973. Visiting hours for Ben-Gurion Exhibition: Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs., 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Tues., 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Fri., 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sat., 6 p.m.-10 p.m.

**The Helena Rubinstein Art Library** (new building) Open: Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs.; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Tues. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., 4 p.m. -7 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Ha'aretz Museum, Tel Aviv Museum Centre,** Ramat Aviv: (1) Glass Museum; (2) Kadmon Numismatic Museum; (3) Exhibition at the Ceramic Museum; Sculpture in Clay by Gedula Ogen; (4) Museum of Science and Technology; (5) Museum of Ethnography and Folklore; (6) Alphabet Museum; (7) Nechushtan Pavilion; (8) Tel-Qasile Excavations; Open: Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs. 9 a.m. - 4.00 p.m., Fri. 9.00 a.m. - 1 p.m., Sat. 10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m., entrance free on Saturdays.

**MUSEUM OF ANTIQUITIES OF TEL AVIV-YAFO,** 10 Rehov Mifratz Shlomo. Open as above.

**MUSEUM OF THE HISTORY OF TEL AVIV-YAFO,** 27 Rehov Bialik. Open as above but closed Saturday.

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**Canadian Hadassah-Wizo Office,** 116 Hayarkon. Tel. 227060, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

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**REHOVOT**

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# CINEMAS

**JERUSALEM**
4.00, 7.00, 9.00

ARNON — Busting; CHEN — My Darling Slave; EDEN — Bad Company; EDISON — Girl of Passion; HABIRAH — Flatfoot; JERUSALEM — Magnum Force, 7.00, 9.00; Mitchell — Le Mouton Enrage; ORGIL — Romance; ORION — Blazing Saddles; ORNA — Death Wish; RON — Harold and Maude; SEMADAR — Il n'y a pas de fumee sans feu, 6.45, 9.00.

**TEL AVIV**
4.30, 7.15, 9.30

ALLENBY — Walking Tall; BEN YEHUDA — Le Hasard et la Violence; CINEMA ONE — Le Complot; CINEMA TWO — The Conversation, 10, 12, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10; CINERAMA — Thunderbolt and Lightfoot, 7.15, 9.30; CHEN — Juggernaut; DEKEL — Getting Straight, 7.15, 9.30; DRIVE IN — The Bohemians, Nurith, Deadlier than the Male; ESTHER — Il Bestione; GAT — American Graffiti; GORDON — The Pedestrian; HOD — Newman's Law; LIMOR — Un Amour de Pinie; MAXIM — The Seduction; MOGRABI — Death Wish; OPHIR — The Big Boss; ORLY — A Warm December; PARIS — L'Amour D'Apres Midi, 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; PEER — Verdict; RAMAT AVIV — 40 Carats, 7.15, 9.30; STUDIO — Murder on the Orient Express, 4.30, 7.00, 9.30; TCHELET — Casablanca; TEL AVIV — 99 per cent Dead; ZAFON — Stavisky.

**HAIFA**

AMPHITHEATRE — Kill; ARMON — Juggerhant; ATZMON — Geld; BEIT ROTHSCHILD — Sun., 9.15— Little Marja; Mon., Tues., Wed., 6.45, 9.00- Scarecrow; Thurs. 6.15-Dying In Madrid; CHEN — American Graffiti; MIRON — The Unconquered; MORIAH — Serpico, 6.45, 9.00; ORAH — La Beune Annee; ORDAN — The Heroes of Telemark, 6.30, 9.00; ORION — The Young Tiger; ORLY — Avanti, 6.30, 9.00; PEER — The Sugarland Express; RON — What?; SHAVIT — Blazing Saddles, 6.45, 9.00.

**HERZLIYA**
7.00, 9.00

DAVID — S.F.Y.S., 7.00, 9.15; TIFERET — Golden Needles.

**PETAH TIKVA**
7.00, 9.00

SHALOM — The Double.

**RAMAT GAN**
7.15, 9.30

ARMON — Flatfoot; HADAR — S.F.Y.S.; LILI — Sleuth, 7.00, 9.15; Mat. at 4 — They Call Me Haleluya; ORDEA — L'Emmerdeur; OASIS — The Sting, 4.00, 7.15, 9.30; RAMA — Bullitt; RAMAT GAN — The Exorcist.

# ON THE AIR

**HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS**
1st Programme: News: 8.00 a.m., 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 10.00, 11.00 and midnight. Newsreels: 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: 6.05, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00 and midnight and 1.00 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: 6.00 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight, 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 and 5.00. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 12.05 and 6.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

**FIRST PROGRAMME**
232, 522 and 231 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Boildieu: Harp Concerto; Beethoven: Symphony No.8 (Ormandy) 9.05 Chausson: Poem for Violin; Franck: Symphony (Bernstein). 10.05 De Falla: The Three Cornered Hat; Gershwin: Rhapsody in Blue (Bernstein); Chavez: Indian Symphony. 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Italian Folk-Songs. 1.05 Midday Concert — Castelnuovo-Tedesco: Overture; Heaume: Symphony Concertante for Two Violins; Saint-Saens: "Carnaval of Animals." 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — Improving your knowledge. 3.30 Guidance for Teachers. 3.50 Book Review. 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew.
4.11 Quiz. 5.10 Coldstream Guards Band. 5.40 Quiz. 6.05 People and Figures. 6.30. "The World of an Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, chaps. 21 and 22. 8.10 (Stereo) Schoenberg: Six Pieces op. 19 (Pollini); Beethoven: Sonata op.81, No.2 (Pollini); Schumann: "Die Dichterliebe" (Fischer-Dieskau, Chr. Eschenbach). 9.20 Cantorial Request Programme. 10.05 "A programme with a Rabbi." 11.05 "My Concert" — (Shoshana Baruch). 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.13 Close Down.

**SECOND PROGRAMME**
457, 423, 249, 256 and 349 M.

5.58 a.m. Opening 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 Announcements. 8.15 "Good Morning." 8.55 "This Country." 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs.
1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 This is Ehud Manor. 3.52 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 "Songs from the Big Screen" (cont.). 5.10 "Find the Link." 6.05 Songs from Father's Home. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "I'm a new Oleh." 9.30 Jazz. 10.05 "Till Midnight in Jerusalem." 12.05 "A Night of Stars." 1.05 Close Down.

**FIFTH PROGRAMME**
455 M.

6.58 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.05 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

**IMMIGRANTS' HOUR**
757, 423, 256, 249, 355 and 346.5 M.

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.00 (5th programme); 8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme); 10.00-10.35 p.m. (short waves).

**FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES**
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves); 11 a.m. (4th programme); 2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programme); 8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme); 12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
3rd Programme (short waves) — 15, 19, 25, 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.
4th Programme — 407, 455 and 292 M.

**GALEI ZAHAL**
234, 340 and 220 M.

5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning tunes. 7.55 Programme trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 9.05 Requests. 9.55 "Pocket Torch." 10.04 "Warm and Tasty." 10.55 With Uri Sela. 11.05 Warm and Tasty — Regards. 11.55 "Call-up Order in Military Literature." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.25 "Midday Star." 12.53 "Who Wins and Who Loses." 1.05 Entertainment Programme. 2.05 p.m. "Two till Four" — with Moshe Timor. 4.05 "Who is Afraid of Critics." 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody. 5.55 Programme Trailer. 6.05 An Hour with Dr. Moshe Feldenkreis. 6.35 Foreign Hit Parade. 9.05 Weekly Concerts. 10.05 "By the way." 11.05 "Love of Zion." 11.53 Midnight Talk. 12.05 Zahal's Diary. 12.30 Night Birds. 2.05 Light Music. 3.05-6.00 Tunes in the night.

**ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE**
5.30 News. 5.32 "The Partridge Family." 6.00 Cartoons. 8.00 Nanny and the Professor. 8.30 Mabat 9.00 "A Town like Alice" — film. 10.50 News.
Educational: 7.50 Citizenship 7. 8.15 Geometry 5. 10.00 English 9. 10.20 English 3. 10.45 English. 11.05 Biology 9. 11.25 English 8. 12.00 Technical Drawing 9. 12.20 Geometry 6. 12.40 Stories. 1.00 Science/Physics 7. 1.25 Literature 7-9. 4.00 For Kindergarteners. 4.16 Science 5-7. 4.32 Technical Drawing 9. 4.49 Art. 5.05 English.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 "Youth programme." 7.00 "The Short Story." 7.05 "Know Israel." 7.27 Programme Review. 7.30 News.

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## USINESS & FINANCE

### L AVIV STOCKS

# Indistinguished end of year

Jerusalem Post Reporter

L AVIV. — The last day of the sent calendar year provided le news of interest on the stock rket; and tomorrow, when trad- resumes after the January 1 t holiday, nothing sensational is ected either. Yesterday's trad- with the exception of rather all turnovers, was not disting- hed by anything.

Many of the index-linked develop- nt bonds did rise, but the turn- over for all bonds was only IL15,750,000.

As for stocks, the turnover was an average IL2,042,000. Of this, IL727,000 was in the variables. The market was rather firm.

Bank Leumi gained two to 235.5 (190,000) and Discount Investment rose by 1.5 to 155.5 (24,000).

The general index of share-prices rose by 0.07 per cent to stand at 256.99.

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| OMMERCIAL BANKS | | | |
| BANKHOLDING COMPANIES | | | |
| Hitzvtnut | r | 205 | 205 |
| .B. Pref. | r | 283 | 283 |
| .B. Bankholding | r | 194 | 194 |
| ion Bank | r | 282.5 | 281.5 |
| ount Bank "A" | r | 415 | 415 |
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| k Hapoalim—10% | b | 289 | 287 |
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| ORTGAGE BANKS | | | |
| a. Mortgage Bank | b | 261 | 261 |
| mel Mortg. & Inv. | b | 287 | 149 |
| v. & Mortg. Bank | b | 355 | 355 |
| using Mortg. Bank | b | 178 | 175.5 |
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| shot | b | 216 | 215.5 |
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| I. & Dev. Bank 8% | r | 96.5 | 97 |
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| ld Storage—IL10 | r | 135 | 134 |
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| Storage & Supply | r | 182 | 182 |
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| D OFFERS | | | |
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| Land Dev. | b | 105 | 105 |
| Soled Bonsh—10% | b | 119 | 128 |
| Property & Build. | r | 193.5 | 194 |
| Isras | b | 105 | 106 |
| Mehadrin | r | 176 | 178 |
| I.C.P. Isr. Citrus | r | 82 | 89 |
| Anglo-Isr. Investor | b | 178 | 178 |
| Neot Aviv | r | 75 | 75 |
| P-I Or Ltd. | r | 180 | 180 |
| Rassco—8% | r | 74.5 | 74 |
| Rassco—O. | r | 53 | 53 |
| INDUSTRIAL | | | |
| Alliance—B | r | 450 | 440 |
| Elco—2.5 | b | 108 | 108 |
| Electra—5 | r | 144 | 144 |
| "Argaman"—8% | b | 194.5 | 196 |
| "Ata"—U | r | 83 | 81 |
| Dubek | b | 223 | 235 |
| Elect. Wire & Cable | b | 141.5 | 143.5 |
| Teva | | 1200 | 1200 |
| Chem. & Phosphates | r | 110 | 110.5 |
| Lewin Epstein | b | 65 | 64.5 |
| Moller Textile | r | 122 | 122 |
| Phoenicia—8% | b | 68.5 | 67 |
| Paper Mills | r | 319 | 275 |
| Assis "B" | r | 169.5 | 167 |
| Nechushtan | b | 600 | 600 |
| Elite (A) | r | 192 | 192 |
| Shemen—8% | b | 107.5 | 105.5 |
| "Tsal" Plywood | b | 114.5 | 117 |
| INVESTMENT & BUILDING COMPANIES | | | |
| Shger | b | 79.5 | 80 |
| Ellern | b | 133 | 135 |
| Israel Central Trade | r | 151.5 | 155 |
| Bank Hapoalim | b | 287 | 287 |
| Paz | b | 35.5 | 37 |
| Wolfson IL10 | b | 68 | 65.6 |
| Ampa | r | 104 | 103.5 |
| Discount Bank | b | 155.5 | 154 |
| United Mizrahi | b | 135 | 133 |
| Bank Leumi | r | 187.5 | 187 |
| Phryon Investment | r | 82.5 | 82.5 |
| Hasuda-For. Trade | r | 81.5 | 81 |
| Export Bank | b | 59.5 | 60 |
| Clal Investment | r | 208 | 208 |
| Clal Industries | r | 122.5 | 125 |
| FUEL & OIL | | | |
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# NEW YEAR'S RALLY

EW YORK (AP). — The stock rket put together a broad rally terday, sounding an upbeat note the final trading hours of a mal year.

The Dow Jones Average of 30 in- strials, which has fallen about 28 cent since last January 1, show- a 10 point gain over Monday's se half an hour before the final . Advances outweighed declines 5 to 2 on the New York stock ex- nge.

Trading was active, as it usually n the final day of the year when investors make last-minute tax manoeuvers and institutional money managers complete preparations of their portfolios for year-end reports.

Brokers credited the buying to expectations of a possible rally in the early days of 1975 after tax-selling pressures were out of the way and to anticipation that President Ford would set forth broad new economic strategies in his State of the Union message next month.

Gold stocks bounced around erratically on the first day of legal sales of the metal to Americans in 41 years.

# Chile's new gov't works towards economic rebirth

ILE'S MILITARY govern- nt has reached an accord with International Telephone and egraph Corp. to pay $125.2m. compensation for its expropriated estment in the country's biggest phone company.

The government, in a statement, d it was "pleased" to have ed the accord and that the asure underlined "the good name Chile in the world, principally its international economic rela- s..."

The leftist regime of the late rxist President Salvador Allende, pled in Sept. 11, 1973 by a coup, taken over the company's rations in the fall of 1971, al- ugh ITT technically controlled majority share of stock.

The military government expro- ted ITT's 70 per cent share the Compania de Telefonos last k in what was a legal step to- d paying compensation.

After the fall of the Allende me in Chile in September 1973, Pinochet pledged to undertake ob of national reconstruction. The preceding three years had n inflation, loss of purchasing er of the currency, reduced duction, stepped up absenteeism, a fall in copper production to record low of 450,000 tons (as inst 533,000 tons in 1971).

Under the new regime, copper put has picked up and it is ed to achieve a total of ,000 tons by the end of the year the largest figure ever in the tory of Chile.

Between 1976 and 1980, it is es- ated that Chile will be pro- ing an average of 1,200 million s of copper. To meet this target other $500 million will have to invested before the end of this ade.

The drop in copper production well as in other export goods, t Chile's foreign currency earn- s into an alarming spin. Foreign rrency reserves fell from $335 llion to less than $10 million.

As a result of Allende's agrarian orm Chile, which used to produce per cent of its wheat require- nts in 1973, had to import 70 per t of its over-all grain needs to vide bread for its population. ring the same year more than 00 million worth in food stuffs d to be imported when in nor- al times (1966-70) no more than 50 million went on such imports. In the final days of the previous gime there were six different es of exchange. For imports of w materials and primary goods rate was 25 escudos to the lar, while tourists received 1,300 cudos per dollar. Sixty percent all imports was carried out the rate of 25 escudos to the llar which meant in effect that the escudo was vastly over-priced. And so, since goods were cheap imports went up quite disproportionately. The foreign debt rose from $2632 million in 1970 to $3455 million in September 1973. Another $832 million were taken on in the form of loans.

The new government reduced the number of exchange rates to three: one of 280 escudos to the dollar for foreign trade; another of 110 escudos for copper; and a third rate of 850 escudos plus a ten percent tax, for travel and tourism.

Thus a policy of periodic devaluation was initiated, similar to that adopted by Brazil. As a result the economic situation improved considerably and in the first five months of 1974, a surplus of 500 million dollars was registered.

It is true that inflation continues to be the bugbear of Chile's economy. But whereas in the first six months of 1973 (Allende era) it shot up to 700 per cent, it was down to 145 per cent in the same period of 1974.

It was inside Chilean kitchens that opposition to the Marxist regime was first heard. One of the ways in which the housewife protested against the shortage of basic commodities was to beat her saucepans with a cooking spoon for half an hour daily. This noise which soon swept through the country represented the protest of the working and middle classes not only against the shortage of foodstuffs, but also against the steady lowering of wages. Since 1970, the buying power of wage-earners had dropped in real terms by more than 50 per cent.

Low production of foodstuffs and other commodities was not merely the result of agrarian reform and mounting foreign debts, but also of the stepped up process of nationalization. In 1972 the GNP reached 23,882 million escudos, by 1973 it was down to 22,555 million escudos. By August 1974 the GNP once again went up to 23,683 millions, i.e. an increase of 5 per cent. Once again the reevaluation of the escudo in real value adds significance to this gain.

In his message to the nation in September General Pinochet stressed that in the field of technical cooperation, excellent relations had been established with Israel, Japan, France and Brazil. (Chile was one of the eight countries which voted against the pro-PLO resolution of the UN General Assembly, in November).

Difficult though the task of reconstruction may be, there are clear indications that the measures adopted by the new government will provide a solid base for economic rebirth.

*(Courtesy of the Chilean Embassy)*


| | Unit Price | Redemption Price |
|---|---|---|
| ZAMID | 202.4 | 198.41 |
| GAVISH | 181.10 | 176.76 |
| BDOLACH | 184.2 | 179.5 |
| SHAMIR | 140.00 | 136.79 |
| PIA | 235.8 | 229.6 |
| YIGDAL | 109.1 | 106.3 |

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# COIN MARKET NEWS

## Still waiting for the B-G coins

The distribution of the Ben-Gurion coins should be concluded by the 15th of January, according to official sources who said they have received a number of complaints from subscribers still waiting to receive their orders. In the opinion of many, it has been the slow distribution process which has resulted in the high market price of the Ben-Gurion coins.

Meanwhile, the rising trend in prices of gold coins still continues and, according to experts, prices have reached a somewhat unreasonable level. People continue to invest large amounts of money in both coins and medals despite repeated warnings in the newspapers that the prices are largely speculative, making it a very risky investment.

Major developments are anticipated when free trade in gold begins in the U.S. on January 1.

$1 = IL6

| Year & Name | Quantity | Issue Price | Market Price |
|---|---|---|---|
| ½ Shekel — Purim Coins | | IL | IL |
| 1961 ½ Shekel | 20,006 | 1 | 220 |
| 1961 " P. | 6,000 | 2 | 320 |
| 1962 ½ Shekel | 20,000 | 1 | 140 |
| 1962 " P. | 20,000 | 2 | 230 |
| 1 Pound — Hanukka Coins | | | |
| 1962 Torah | 150,000 | 2 | 30 |
| 1962 " P. | 5,000 | 6 | 600 |
| 1963 Degania | 50,000 | 2 | 80 |
| 1963 " P. | 5,000 | 6 | 650 |
| 1963 Sadd | 16,882 | 2 | 670 |
| 1963 " P. | 2,000 | 6 | 8300 |
| 1964 Herz | 18,916 | 2 | 270 |
| 1964 " P. | 2,625 | 6 | 300 |
| 1965 Italian Lamp | 9,657 | 2 | 760 |
| 1965 " P. | 6,040 | 6 | 1100 |
| 1966 N. African Lamp | 10,000 | 2 | 760 |
| 1966 " P. | 5,800 | 6 | 1200 |
| 5 Pounds — Independence Day Coins | | | |
| 1968 Menorah | 98,051 | 10 | 180 |
| 1968 " P. | 2,000 | 25 | — |
| 1969 Exilim | 27,249 | 10 | 280 |
| 1969 " P. | 4,782 | 25 | 1100 |
| 1970 Herzl | 24,472 | 10 | 300 |
| 1970 " P. | 4,922 | 30 | 1000 |
| 1971 Bar-Mitzvah | 19,542 | 10 | 740 |
| 1971 " P | 4,561 | 30 | 1100 |
| 1972 Negev | 20,450 | 10 | 1000 |
| 1972 " P. | 5,050 | 30 | 1000 |
| 1973 Seafaring | 5,900 | 30 | 3650 |
| 1973 " P. | 4,502 | 30 | 3700 |
| 1974 Museum | 11,100 | 12 | 630 |
| 1974 " P. | 4,500 | 30 | 1300 |
| 1975 Knesset | 25,252 | 10 | 480 |
| 1975 " P. | 7,600 | 30 | 600 |
| 1968 Life | 32,502 | 12.50 | 190 |
| 1968 " P. | 00,500 | 25 | 800 |
| 1967 Eilat | 30,250 | 12.50 | 420 |
| 1967 " P. | 7,755 | 25 | 480 |
| 10 Pounds — Special Issue | | | |
| 1967 Victory | 224,529 | 12.50 | 60 |
| 1967 " P. | 50,450 | 50 | 120 |
| 1971 Freedom | 75,000 | 30 | 110 |
| 1977 " P. | 30,000 | 60 | 220 |
| 1974 Ben-Gurion | 175,000 | 100 | 140 |
| 1974 " P. | 75,000 | 200 | 280 |

P = Proof
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J = Jerusalem Mint
U = Utrecht Mint

| Year & Name | Quantity | Issue Price | Market Price |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1968 Jerusalem | 50,000 | 22.50 | 260 |
| 1968 " P. | 20,501 | 62.50 | 290 |
| 1969 Shalom (S.F.) | 40,000 | 25 | 232 |
| 1969 " P. | 20,000 | 50 | 250 |
| 1969 " (U) | 20,000 | 25 | 232 |
| 1970 Mikveh | 47,500 | 25 | 150 |
| 1970 " P. | 22,500 | 50 | 190 |
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| 10 Pounds — Independence Day Coins | | | IL |
| 1971 Science (U.) | 20,000 | 25 | 220 |
| 1971 " P. | 17,500 | 50 | 230 |
| 1971 " (J.) | 22,500 | 25 | 300 |
| 1972 Aviation | 50,000 | 37 | 150 |
| 1972 " P. | 15,000 | 50 | 480 |
| 1973 Declaration | 125,002 | 40 | 70 |
| 1973 " P. | 41,501 | 60 | 180 |
| 1974 Ben Yehuda | 120,000 | 60 | 60 |
| 1974 " P. | 50,000 | 90 | 120 |
| 10 Pounds — Pidyon Haben | | | |
| 1970 P-H | 50,533 | 25 | 220 |
| 1970 " P. | 15,000 | 50 | 320 |
| 1971 " | 30,201 | 25 | 330 |
| 1971 " P. | 15,000 | 50 | 450 |
| 1972 " (star) | 30,000 | 30 | 140 |
| 1972 " (no star) | 15,000 | 30 | 170 |
| 1973 " P. | 12,500 | 60 | 240 |
| 1973 " | 105,000 | 30 | 65 |
| 1973 " P. | 15,000 | 60 | 250 |
| 1974 " | 115,000 | 40 | 60 |
| 1974 " P. | 45,000 | 60 | 150 |
| 5 Pounds — Hanukka Coins | | | |
| 1972 Russian Lamp | 75,000 | 20 | 90 |
| 1972 " P. | 22,500 | 60 | 200 |
| 1973 Babylonian Lamp | 65,000 | 20 | 60 |
| 1973 Babylonian Lamp P. | 45,000 | 60 | 80 |
| Gold Coins | | | |
| 1960 Herzl (20) | 80,519 | 80 | |
| 1962 Weizmann (50) P. | 6,202 | 150 | 6400 |
| 1963 Weizmann (100) P. | 6,202 | 300 | 7300 |
| 1964 Bank (50) | 6,014 | 150 | 7000 |
| 1964 " (50) P. | 1,512 | 250 | 8,000 |
| 1967 Victory (100) P. | 9,004 | 600 | 8000 |
| 1968 Jerusalem (100) P. | 12,506 | 250 | 4700 |
| 1969 Shalom (100) P. | 12,500 | 420 | 4100 |
| 1971 Freedom (100) P. | 20,000 | 420 | 6000 |
| 1973 Declaration (50) P. | 12,500 | 220 | 900 |
| 1973 " (100) P. | 10,000 | 455 | 1400 |
| 1973 " (50-100-300) | 12,750 | 1530 | 6900 |
| 1974 Ben-Gurion (in sets of three only) | 58,500 | 2400 | 4000 |

# One-half of all wage-earners are in the services sector

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THERE IS MUCH TALK nowadays about the level of wages our industries can afford to pay their employees without unduly raising production costs. However, statistics show that our wage level has long ceased to be determined by production costs, but depends mainly on wages paid in the non-productive sectors.

In 1968 manufacturing industries, mining, and agriculture still accounted for a third of all salaried jobs. By mid-1974 their share dropped to under 30 per cent, and only 27 per cent in the national wage bill. Public services alone now account for almost 35 per cent of jobs, and 37 per cent of the aggregate wage bill. Together with finance and business services, electricity and water concerns, and transport and storage enterprises, the non-productive sector of our economy now accounts for about half of all the jobs, and for 56 per cent of the total wage payments. Since part of the mining and manufacturing concerns — including several major ones — are owned or controlled by the government, and their wage policies in great part influenced by non-business considerations, the role played by the genuinely competitive sector in shaping our wage level is fairly small, even if one disregards the particular position of the Histadrut-owned enterprises.

The service sector, which was already excessively developed compared to the rest of the economy in the sixties, has grown substantially since the Six Day War. Between 1968 and mid-1974 the number of employee posts in manufacturing and mining industries increased 33 per cent, in construction 46 per cent, in public services 36 per cent, in finance and business 60 per cent. But in agriculture it declined more than 25 per cent. At the same time, the wage differential between manufacturing and services widened, although the *average* wage level is highest in transport and electricity services.

An interesting sidelight on the current employment structure can be seen by comparing the number of salaried jobs with the number of wage earners. In 1968 the number of jobs exceeded the number of employees by about 75,000, and by almost 130,000 at mid-1974. Clearly, the number of people holding two jobs increased from about 12 per cent of the employed labour force six years ago to 16 per cent. Every sixth wage-earner is now apparently working at an additional job. It stands to reason that this situation is a factor in the high rate of absenteeism in our industry, which has also greatly increased in recent years.

### LONDON STOCKS

# Quietly mixed

The market closed quietly mixed, dealers said, and at 15.00 hrs the Financial Times index was down 0.1 to 162.9.

Gold shares retreated with the bullion price with heavyweight issues losing a point or more.

Equity leaders closed steady to narrowly mixed while oils were narrowly mixed. Banks and insurances edged higher.

Government bonds eased by up to ⅛ths of a point in thin trading, reflecting press comment on the UK economy.

Dollar stocks and Australians were irregular.

### VISITORS GALLERY

# Discovering the link between genetics and immunology

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Immuno-genetics is that branch of medical research which investigates the genetic differences in people to mount immune responses. This means that if an individual lacks certain genes in his hereditary makeup, his body cannot put up a strong defence against certain diseases; if he has the required genes, his body can fight the disease off.

Harvard University Pathology Professor Baruj Benacerraf told *The Jerusalem Post* last week how what he modestly calls an "accident" led him to discover the link between genetics and immunology. He recounted how in the early 60s he was immunizing some laboratory animals with antigens; 30 per cent responded to the immunization, 70 per cent did not. Most researchers would have discarded the non-responsive 70 per cent, he said. "But I was curious. I suspected that the reason for the animals' negative response lay in their genetic makeup," the professor added.

Breeding non-respondent guinea pigs with other non respondents, Prof. Benacerraf got 100 per cent non-respondents. Breeding non-respondents with respondents, the guinea pig offspring showed the expected Mendelian hereditary distribution. Ever since this basic discovery Prof. Benacerraf has continued his research into the genetic approach to immunology.

Further research revealed the existence of a special type of gene which controls the immunity mechanism. Understanding of the body's genetic makeup provides insights into the development of cells and into the defence mechanisms against cancerous cells and other disease-causing agents. Further knowledge of immuno-genetics will help medicine to manipulate the body's immunity system in its fight against disease. Thus the physician today can stimulate the immunity sytem when desired, or he can suppress its action. Suppression, for instance, is desirable in organ transplants, where the immunity system of the receiving body would reject the transplanted organ outright, unless that system was first blocked. Today's stage of knowledge of the immunity system is able to guide the surgeon in the selection of his transplantation subjects.

Very early in his career Prof. Benacerraf demonstrated that the immunity system's action against malignant tumours could be increased through vaccination with BCG tubercle bacteria. A main target of research into the immunity system, of course, is the nature of the defences against the various forms of cancer. Butt he research also has vast implications for many other diseases, Prof. Benacerraf said.

Prof. Benacerraf this week received the Hebrew University's Rabbi Shai Shacknai Memorial Prize in Immunology and Cancer Research for outstanding contributions to the field of immunology. The prize and lectureship were established by Frank R. Lautenberg of Montclair, New Jersey, who was recently elected general chairman of the U.J.A. Having endowed the Lautenberg Centre for General and Tumour Immunology at the Hebrew University — Hadassah Medical School, Mr. Lautenberg created the prize in memory of Rabbi Shai Shacknai, who died of cancer at the age of 38.

Prof. Benacerraf, 54, was born in Venezuela, where his family had emigrated from Tetuan in Spanish Morocco. This family name comes from the Hebrew for "son of the goldsmith," he said. After receiving his degree from the Medical College of Virginia, he did research at Columbia University and at the Hopital Broussais in Paris. He accepted the position as chairman of the department of Pathology at Harvard University in 1970.

Prof. Benacerraf says that the level of immunology and cancer research in Israel is "as good as any other in the world." He was full of praise for the work his "colleagues and friends" are doing at the Hebrew University and at the Weizmann Institute and other institutions.

### BRIDGE — GEORGE LEVINREW

# *How to punish indiscretion*

The Israeli team knows how to punish indiscretion. On the night preceding the opening of the European Bridge Championships there was an open pairs game at the Dukes Club in Tel Aviv. On the following deal, Shenhav of Jerusalem, partnered with Mrs. Shalit of France, decided, to his subsequent regret, to bid a psychic against Frydrich and Shaufel, no less.

N-S Vul

Frydrich
North (D)
♠ A 7 5 2
♡ A Q 10 3
◇ 10 5
♣ K 6 2

Shalit
West
♠ K J 4
♡ J 9 7 2
◇ 9 8
♣ A Q 10 4

Shenhav
East
♠ Q
♡ 8 6 4
◇ 6 3 2
♣ J 9 8 7 5 3

Shaufel
South
♠ 10 9 8 6 3
♡ K 5
◇ A K Q J 7 4
♣ —

The bidding:

| North | East | South | West |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 ♡ | 1 ♠ | 2 ◇ | 2 ♠ |
| Pass | Pass | 3 ♠ | Pass |
| 3 NT | Pass | 4 ♠ | Pass |
| 5 ♡ | Pass | 6 ◇ | All Pass |

The ♠ bids by South were asking bids and North's responses indicated his controls. The normal contract on this deal, as played at other tables, was 4♠ by North-South, making five. But the psychic diverted North-South into 6 ◇ which was made.

Svarc of the French team which won the Championship of the Open Series, but lost to Israel in the round robin, was also indiscreet against Lev and Romik.

Vul N-S

Svarc
North
♠ K Q 10 9 2
♡ 4 3 2
◇ K 10
♣ Q 9 5

Romik
West
♠ 8 5
♡ A J 9 6 5
◇ A 9 7
♣ 10 7 4

Lev
East
♠ A J 3
♡ K 7
◇ Q 6 4 2
♣ K J 6 2

Boulanger
South (D)
♠ 7 6 4
♡ Q 10 8
◇ J 8 5 3
♣ A 8 3

The bidding:

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pass | Pass | 1 ♠ | Pass |
| 1 NT | Pass | Pass | Dble |
| All Pass | | | |

Perhaps Svarc's opening bid should be considered as daring, vulnerable, against non-vulnerable opponents, but it was badly punished. Romik led a low ♡ to the K, and a ♡ return by Lev was won with the J. The ♡ Ace was then played and East discarded the ◇ 4. West delayed taking his other two hearts, to prevent squeezing his partner. He shifted to the ♣ 10 which was covered by the Q, K, and Ace. A ♠ to the K was allowed to hold the trick, and similarly the ♣ 9. But that was all for the declarer — set four for minus 1100 points.

Correction: In the deal in last week's mid-week column the spade suit was divided thusly:

NORTH
A 6

WEST
K J 7

EAST
9 8 4 2

SOUTH
Q 10 5 3

It is possible by finessing spades twice for East-West to make two spade tricks and the contract.

BRIDGE CALENDAR

Coming Events

Tel Aviv: Note the change of date of the National Pairs Tournament for the opening of the 1975 season to Saturday, January 18.

Results

Beersheba: Five weeks Hanukka Pair Competition: 1. Cooper-Chaitin, 2. Alt-Affolo; 3. Namere-Namere.

National Tri-City Cup for teams of four. 30 teams participating: 1. Schwartz-Stampf, Lev-Ginsburg-Ben-Yaacov from Tel Aviv score 115 Victory Points, a phenomenal 82 per cent. This team won all its matches. 2. Shaufel-Frydrich, Moreno-Meshulam, Aziel-Meshulam from Tel Aviv score 100, 71 per cent. 3. Roos-Spitz-Nachmias, Mrs. Wolf-Mrs. Soltoon, score 88, 63 per cent from Savyon and Tel Aviv.

Weekly Duplicate Games, 8.30 p.m.
Ashkelon — Monday, Thursday: Museum.
Beersheba — Monday, Thursday: Beit Ha'am.
Haifa — City: Monday, Thursdays, Beit Hagefen. Central Carmel: Sunday, Wednesday: Beit Rothschild. Neve Sha'anan: Tuesday: Beit Abba Khoushi.
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Pardess Hana — Sunday: Wizo.
Rehovot — Monday: Masonic Hall.
Savyon — Sunday: Avia Hotel.
Tel Aviv — Wednesday, Thursday: Dukes Club.

Notes from the World of Bridge:

The World Championship for the Bermuda Bowl opens in Bermuda on January 25.

In Sweden the government allocates funds for the teaching of bridge to high school students. In the U.S. duplicate bridge is encouraged in the army. There are many duplicate bridge camps for army personnel. In prisons also duplicate bridge is played as a leisure time rehabilitation programme. In Israel, however, we are still awaiting approval for teaching bridge in army camps.


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| Lire | 649/650 | per $ |
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|---|---|---|---|
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# IN SEARCH OF A TRIGGER

LIBYA'S mercurial leader Muammer Gaddafi remains the odd man out in the Arab world; however, he is now trying to regain influence through the agency of Lebanon.

Earlier this week he called in the Arab Ambassadors in Tripoli to criticize their governments for not coming to Lebanon's aid in the face of "Israeli attacks." He gave notice that Libya would not stand idly by and would go it alone if necessary to protect Lebanon.

Behind Gaddafi's posturing lies a clear policy aim. Already in 1971 Gaddafi attempted to establish a foothold in Lebanon in order to be in position to affect events on the northern border with Israel.

At that time he offered to send volunteers to the terrorist organizations. He established training bases in Libya for the purpose, and the volunteers he dispatched in fact participated in several terrorist actions.

However, the terrorists soon discovered that Gaddafi's real aim was to become the dominant force in shaping the terrorist campaign against Israel, and severed the relationship.

Since the Yom Kippur War, Gaddafi has been virtually isolated in the Arab world. His rabid opposition to any thoughts of accommodation with Israel, no matter how partial, has become even more vehement.

Through Lebanon he would now like to put himself into a position to help determine events by gaining a grip on the military trigger along Israel's northern border.

He has offered to furnish Lebanon with weapons purchased in France and elsewhere, and would, if *only* asked, send regular Libyan army troops to Lebanon.

The Beirut government, for its part, has given the appearance of considering Gaddafi's overtures. It sent a military delegation to Tripoli last week, and a Libyan mission is now in Lebanon.

However, there are also those in Lebanon who understand that if the flirt with Gaddafi were to go too far the country would find itself in even greater difficulties than at present. With its sovereignty already compromised by the terrorist organizations, Lebanon could ill afford placing its fate into the hands of Gaddafi as well.

## ISRAEL PRESS

# Brezhnev's postponed visit

*Davar* (Histadrut) wonders at the reasons for Mr. Brezhnev's decision to postpone his trip to Cairo. It could be that Mr. Brezhnev is ill or that he has problems related to the internal political situation in the Soviet Union. There may even be serious differences in approach to the Middle East situation between Moscow and Cairo.

Even if Egypt does not receive the large quantities of arms that she is demanding one should not be complacent. She can still obtain them from other Arab sources.

On Saturday the "confrontation conference" convenes in Cairo. Under the threat of isolating Egypt from the rest of the Arab world, Syria and the PLO will, no doubt, demand that she end her present stage-by-stage diplomacy. If Egypt is serious about her intentions concerning peace arrangements with Israel, the postponement of Brezhnev's visit could be a good augury for the future.

*Ha'aretz* (independent) avers that even if the reason for the postponement of Mr. Brezhnev's visit to Cairo is political this does not necessarily imply that the reports concerning his ill health are not true.

Israel should not draw the sudden conclusion that Egypt's relations with the Soviet Union have now worsened. The near future will tell how they stand with each other. The Soviet policy towards Egypt will have a direct bearing on the U.S. attitude towards Israel.

*Omer* (Histadrut) also contends that even if Mr. Brezhnev is not well, this, by itself, is not sufficient to explain the fact that no one is going instead of him. Either Kosygin or Podgorny could have gone. "The fact that no one replaces him is of political significance."

The Soviet Union desires to dictate Egypt's foreign policy and wants Egypt to agree that Russian experts be stationed on her soil and that there should be no negotiations with Israel outside of a Geneva conference. Syria is also interested that this view prevail. Sadat, for the time being, refuses to accept this position.

Israel must wait and see what happens as otherwise she would make concessions without receiving anything in return.

*Al Hamishmar* (Mapam) maintains that "Mr. Brezhnev's postponed visit represents not only reaction to Cairo's refusal to accept the Soviet conditions, but even the employment of heavy pressure on Egypt." The price for renewed arms supplies by the Soviet Union was considered by Sadat as being too high. "The break with Moscow will limit Egypt's freedom of manoeuvre in the diplomatic field. This is not far from being an ultimatum to Cairo."

This provides the opportunity to go ahead with negotiations for a partial settlement. Israel should take the initiative in this direction. The next few days should determine whether Egypt stands firm or gives in to Soviet pressure.

## FOREIGN PRESS

# Fresh riddles in the M.E. after Brezhnev's cancellation

The London "Daily Telegraph" (Conservative) said editorially on the Middle East: "Mr. Brezhnev's cancellation of his much-heralded visit to Cairo, due in a fortnight's time, has brought an additional note of drama and fresh riddles into a tense Middle East...

"There are, however, reasons for hope that the development is a favourable one. The most logical explanation would be that President Sadat wants more time to see whether Dr. Kissinger's low-key diplomacy can persuade Israel to make an acceptably large second withdrawal in Sinai. It is noticeable that despite much denigration of Dr. Kissinger as the magician who has lost his wand, Mr. Sadat has gone out of his way to make it clear that he has not lost faith in him...

"In all this, it must be assumed that Mr. Brezhnev, despite irritation at the course events are taking, is paying at least some regard to his agreement with President Ford to cooperate to stop the Middle East from boiling over. He can have no illusions about how incalculable the consequences of war would be."

"The Times" (independent) commented on prospects for peace in 1975:

"World peace will not be particularly secure in 1975 but it may not be any less secure than in 1974.

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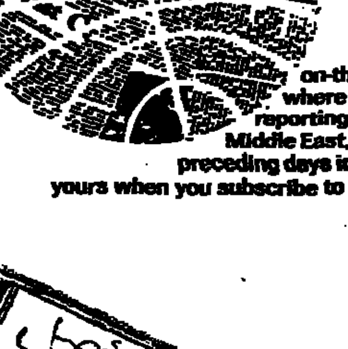

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## U.S. FOREIGN POLICY EXPERT:

# Intervention in Persian Gulf may soon become necessary

Special to The Jerusalem Post

NEW YORK. — An American authority on international relations, who has been known as a leading spokesman of a new isolationism, believes that U.S. military intervention in the Persian Gulf may soon become necessary to protect the vital economic interests of the United States.

Writing in the January issue of "Commentary," Robert W. Tucker, Professor of International relations at Johns Hopkins University, states that if the price of oil is not reduced, the threat or use of force will have to be regarded as a meaningful option by the United States.

There is a general consensus, Professor Tucker says, "that if the present situation goes on unaltered, a disaster resembling the 1930's is indeed a distinct possibility and it would have as its immediate and precipitating cause the present oil price." Professor Tucker examines the various "solutions" that have been advanced "for stopping the hemorrhage caused by the present price of oil," and concludes that none is likely to be effective within the short-to-medium term. The "recycling" solution he denounces as a "sophisticated conjuring act" which will lead to the "undermining of the credit-worthiness of many states and, ultimately, to widespread default or repudiation of debt." As for a drastic reduction of energy consumption, Professor Tucker argues, even if it were politically possible it would lead "to a reduction in living standards and... a general decline in productivity."

Thus, he concludes, the only alternatives are major economic disaster or the employment of extraordinary means for resolving the crisis.

Professor Tucker examines the major factors — military, political, legal, and moral — that must be taken into consideration in discussing the prospect of intervention.

On the point of military feasibility, Professor Tucker considers among other factors the geography of the region: "Since it is impossible to intervene everywhere, the feasibility of intervention depends upon whether there is a relatively restricted area which, if effectively controlled, contains a sufficient portion of present world oil production and proven reserves to provide reasonable assurance that its control may be used to break the present price structure by breaking the core of the cartel politically and economically.

"The one area that would appear to satisfy these requirements extends from Kuwait down along the coastal region of Saudi Arabia to Qatar. It is this mostly shallow coastal strip less than 400 miles in length that provides 40 per cent of present OPEC production and that has by far the world's largest proven reserves (over 50 per cent of total OPEC reserves and 40 per cent of world reserves). Since it has no substantial centres of population and is without trees, its effective control does not bear even remote comparison with the experience of Vietnam."

### Russian threat

Professor Tucker discounts the threat of Russian counter-intervention. That, he says, "lacks plausibility unless it is assumed that the Russians now enjoy a sense of military superiority sufficiently great on both the conventional and strategic levels as to permit them to deny what is to the United States, and surely to its major allies, a vital interest. For all the talk, however, about their global conventional capabilities, the Russians still lack the naval forces needed for effective interposition in the Persian Gulf. And for all the talk about our declining conventional capabilities, the United States still possesses at this point sufficient global forces to intervene."

On the question of the political effects of intervention, Professor Tucker concedes that American "military intervention would have to be taken unilaterally and, initially at least, in the face of condemnation by most of the world." Nevertheless, much would depend "on what the United States government did to elicit the consent, if not the cooperation, of its allies, and more generally and more importantly, what it did after having seized and occupied the area in question." The United States would "have to impose upon itself a policy of self-denial... If any importer's share of oil is to decrease markedly during this period, it should be the state that is best prepared to shoulder the burden and that is least subject to reprisal. All this is evident fair play and indispensable to establish the *bona fides* of the American action." In addition, a system of allocation should be devised with an administered price "judged reasonable to the interests of both producers and consumers," and ensuring an adequate supply to all.

Professor Tucker rejects the argument that military interven[tion] in the Persian Gulf would no[t be] countenanced by American [pub]lic opinion. If intervention wer[e to] promise success at relatively m[odest] cost, he observes, "opinion [might] well move in the direction of [sup]port, and particularly if unem[ploy]ment were to rise 8 or 9 [per] cent." Rejecting any compa[rison] with Vietnam where, in Prof[essor] Tucker's long-held opinion, American interests were not [at] stake, he points out that "the [ex]istence of an all-volunteer mil[itary] force would preclude the p[olitical] issues once raised by the draft. [In] addition, Professor Tucker n[otes,] the harmful effects of the cu[rrent] oil price on many poor coun[tries] "do not endear the major oil [pro]ducers to much of the Left. Th[e re]lative ease with which Vi[etnam] could be depicted as an attem[pt to] preserve American domination [of] the developing states... would b[e dif]ficult to repeat today."

Professor Tucker acknow[ledges] that "there is little in interna[tional] law that forbids the oil carte[l to] charge any price it wishes." [He] asserts, however, that in the [exer]cise of their sovereign prerog[atives] the oil producers have plac[ed the] vital interests of other sta[tes in] jeopardy, and that these [states] therefore have a right to [defend] themselves. In this sense, he [finds] the present crisis is comparab[le to] the Cuban missile crisis of [1962] when the United States assert[ed the] right to employ military [force] against the Soviet Union in d[efence] of its vital national interests[, le]gally and morally, Professor T[ucker] concludes, the situation is [...] today.

# A confident Cuba celebrates its 16th anniversary

By GEORGE GEDDA

WASHINGTON (AP). — The Cuban Revolution observes its 16th anniversary on Wednesday, its confidence buoyed by a newly vibrant economy and an increasingly congenial outside world.

The hemispheric embargo of Cuba is still technically a reality but the regime seems to be doing better than many of those which conspired so long to impoverish it. Cuba's 630-dollar-a-year per capita income ranks in the top third among Latin American countries.

In one important respect, socialist Cuba is capitalizing on international inflation, the scourge of so many countries. The record world market price of sugar is expected to bring in some three billion dollars in foreign exchange earnings in 1975. Cuba's export earnings from all sources totalled $1 billion in 1973.

And with a steady flow of low-priced oil from the Soviet Union, Cuba has not felt the effects of the energy crisis. Moscow is apparently determined to make Cuba a socialist showcase, chipping in with large-scale technical assistance and with more than 500 million dollars a year in economic aid. Among nations not at war or threatened by war, Cuba is perhaps the world's largest per capita aid recipient.

At 47, Prime Minister Fidel Castro is the Vice-Dean of Latin American heads of government. His regime appears to be as secure as any in the region, after having survived an American-sponsored invasion, a missile crisis, internal rebellions, natural disasters and economic blundering.

### Dead or jailed

Most of Castro's enemies are dead, jailed, in exile or intimidated by the ubiquitous Committees for the Defence of the Revolution, to which an estimated four million Cubans belong.

The low point for Castro came in 1970 when the economy was near collapse. A million Cubans had been mobilized to work on the sugar harvest, with disastrous effects on other, neglected sectors of the economy. The 8.5 million ton sugar harvest fell short of the regime's goal of 10 million tons, but none the less was large enough to depress world market prices, compounding the nation's economic disarray. Cuban officials now concede that an added problem was excessive reliance on moral incentives to get workers to produce.

# 'PLO failed in its major aims at Raba[t]'

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Although the PLO gained an "institutional recognition" recently and was given in Rabat "a semi-veto power on the Palestinian issue," it failed in its major *objectives* — principally, because it has no territory of its own. Dr. Gabriel Ben-Dor, of Haifa University, was led to this conclusion in analyzing Palestinian nationalism between 1967 and 1973 at the Colloquium on the Middle East at that period, currently being held by the Shiloah Centre and the Tel Aviv University School of History.

Among the unfulfilled goals of the PLO, Dr. Ben-Dor mentioned the expectation of demoralizing Israel, of establishing an "Arab Hanoi" and of becoming a military force. The "Palestinians" did succeed in forming a leadership elite which is "equal in stature to that of some other Arab states." But this did not give them enough influence to provoke Arab rulers into fighting Israel at their preferred time. Paradoxically, Dr. Ben-Dor noted, the PLO's best chance of playing an effective role is by negotiating a territorial agreement with Israel. But they are barred from this course by their basic premise of destroying Israel.

In the administered areas, Dr. Ben-Dor said, the common goal of the Palestinians is to end the Israeli presence, but several mutually excluding trends have been noted. While the Hashemite rule has never been popular with the West Bank Palestinians, a local leadership exists which would welcome King Hussein back and which maintains close contacts with Amman. The Communist-led "Committee of National Solidarity," formed in Nablus in 1968, or its various front groups, occasionally attempted to fight both the Hashemite influence and the Israeli administration, but its activity was soon suppressed by the Israeli authorities. Recently, the popularity of Sadat has been on the increase, as King Hussein ostensibly submitted to the ruling of the Rabat Summit which linked the West Bank Arabs to the PLO leadership. However, "some realists believe that the Hashemites will come back, eventually."

Prof. Moshe Maoz, of the Harry Truman Research Institute in Jerusalem, said that PLO sources put the number of "Palestinians" at 3.3m., whereas Israeli estimates put them at 2.8m. Some 600,000 live in Judea and Samaria, 400,000 in the Gaza Strip, while 650,000 (according to Israel) or 1m. (the PLO figure) are in Jordan.

In discussing "the Jordanian entity," Prof. Uriel Dann observed that King Hussein had public opinion with him when his troops crushed the fedayeen in 1970, because the local population was set by the terrorists' arroga[nce and] unruliness.

Noting the strategic chang[es in] the Middle East, Prof. Geo[ffrey] Kemp, of the Fletcher Scho[ol of] Law and Diplomacy at Tufts [Uni]versity, Mass., observed that th[e con]stant disparity in the ratio o[f ar]mament between the U.S. an[d the] USSR will make it extremely [dif]ficult for America to make co[mmit]ments to her friends in the [long] range—"unless American arm[s] policy changes."

At the present rate of produ[ction] the Soviet Union will conside[rably] surpass the U.S. in nuclear [wea]pons in the mid-eighties. An[d the] same is true of conventional [wea]pons. And, he added, "a new political situation may be w[on] by deception, surprise and [...] action — not only in the M[iddle] East."

Looking at Arab military [stra]tegy in the Yom Kippur War, Amnon Sela, of the Hebrew [Uni]versity, said it did not follow S[oviet] military doctrine. The Red A[rmy] teaches that war must be co[nduct]ed in a spirit of offensive, sup[port]ed by mass attack, and eff[ected] simultaneously on the front, i[n the] rear and in the middle of e[nemy] concentration. Moreover, a S[oviet] task force occupying 150 sq. [...] is supposed to advance, by [hook] and by crook, about 40 kms. a [...] The Arabs, and particularly [the] Egyptians, did not accept this [the]ory, Dr. Sela surmises from [their] actions on the first day of the [war.] Rather, he said, the Egyptians [re]vived the ancient "phalanx" [...] "They push forward, stabilize, [...] push again." The quantity of [...] the USSR supplied was great, [but] not enough to satisfy the E[gyp]tians. For instance, they gave [...] only enough missiles to pr[otect] Cairo by a threat to Tel Aviv. [The] Arabs, Dr. Sela believed, exp[ected] to be able to use their air [force] after three or four days of [fight]ing when Israeli air power [would] have been weakened by the [...] "But they definitely did not [fore]sage the American airlift."

Dr. Yair Evron, of the Le[onard] Davis Institute of the Hebrew [Uni]versity, suggested that the first [...] days of fighting went badly fo[r the] Israelis because they had a w[rong] concept of the role of the [Sinai] Peninsula. After 1957, the Sinai [was] virtually demilitarized, for re[asons] Nasser knew best, but which s[uited] Israeli interests. Israel's stra[tegic] aim in 1956 and again in 1967 [was] to destroy the enemy war pote[ntial.] But in 1973, the Egyptian A[rmy] which crossed the Suez Canal [had,] according to all evidence, limited objectives and did not [de]ploy itself in the desert to [...] the Israelis. Dr. Evron also [be]lieved that the Israeli traum[a of] "not ceding an inch" induced t[hem] to fight doggedly for a line ins[tead] of luring the enemy into the [...]

## READERS' LETTERS

# Injustice to Palestinians

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I just received a cutting of an article published in your paper under the title: "British intellectuals cut ties with Unesco" (December 6).

This article contains, as far as I am concerned, some gross misrepresentations of what I said recently in Madison, Wisconsin, which I cannot let pass without correction.

1) You report that I said that the creation of Israel in 1948 was an injustice. I want to declare most categorically that neither in Madison nor on any other occasion, did I say anything of the kind. This is simply untrue.

2) I did say however: "Let us not forget that a tremendous injustice was made to the Palestinian people — that cannot be denied." I said it because I believe it.

3) You quote me as saying: "You can't fight the whole world continuously." This is an over-simplification of my comments about the present diplomatic isolation of Israel as the explanation of the votes in the General Conference of Unesco as well as in the General Assembly of the United Nations.

One may consider this isolation as justified or unjustified; it is however a fact which Unesco did not create, but which understandably affected the positions of the delegates of the member states at the General Conference.

*RENE MAHEU*
*Director General Unesco*
Paris, December 17.

The article referred to by Mr. Maheu was taken from the UPI and AP wire services. — Ed. J.P.

## UNESCO AND UNICEF

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — There seems to be another sort of backlash as a result of Unesco's actions against Israel — declining contributions to Unicef in this country. I assume that the decline in support for Unicef must be noticeable, since there has been publicity on television in this city asking people not to confuse the two and to support Unicef. There was also a letter to the Philadelphia Bulletin in which the president of the U.S. committee for Unicef asked people not to withdraw support from that organization because of the actions of Unesco.

*MARSHALL GILLER*
Drexel Hill, Pa., December 17.

## PENFRIENDS

ENID THURLEY (28), of 15 Danecourt Rd., West Derby, Liverpool, England, is married and would like to correspond with an Israeli lady between the ages of 28 and 30. She collects stamps, postcards and small souvenirs.

GEORGE LINDEQUE of P.O.B. 31, Rosslyn 0200 TVL, South Africa, would like to have Israeli penfriends.

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# *An Arab Christian's plea for Shalom in 1975*

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — For the Christian world the new year, 1975, will start tomorrow. What sort of year will it be for Israel and for her Arab neighbours? Will the Christians living in these countries really try to make it a year of peace?

As an Arab Christian, I know how difficult it is to dare and come out with love for Israel — the love that Jesus of Nazareth requires of His followers. I do not believe that Israel is the enemy of the Arab people. On the contrary, it is their blessing, if only the Arabs would allow God to open their eyes! But even if there are those Arabs who say that Israel is their enemy, they must still obey their Lord in blessing and praying for their "enemy," and not hating them. Otherwise they have no right to call themselves Christians.

Prayer to God is not a sort of magic and cannot be uttered in any way we want; it has to be in accordance with the Lord's will and teaching. This is why Archbishop Capucci's prayer will never be answered. It was of his own making and not according to the teaching of Jesus. May he have a real encounter with Jesus Christ while in prison.

The Arabs in the whole of the Middle East must dare to follow the teachings of their Lord (even about the position of the Jews and Israel), and not be afraid of Moslem threats. I am not less an Arab because I desire with my whole heart to follow my Master in loving and serving His people. In spite of what some people say, Jesus was a Jew. How can I love Him and not His people? This was one of the first things that the Lord faced me with when as a girl of 13, I desired to follow Him. No one (not even the missionaries!) ever taught me to love the Jews. On the contrary, I learnt to hate and despise them; but He revealed to me that I could not love Him and hate His people.

Arab Christians, in the year 1975, let us not be ashamed of our Lord's teaching because of fear of man. We have to stand in the gap between Israel and the Arab countries. It may cost us a lot, but we must always remember that our Lord paid with His life to stand between God and man. Dare we do any less? Following Jesus Christ requires daily sacrifices. Let us lay down ourselves and our hatred towards Israel at the cross, and get up renewed with the power of His resurrection and not with fear.

May 1975 bring Shalom, Salaam to Israel and the whole of the Middle East.

*Mrs. WIDAD VAN DER HOEVEN*
Jerusalem, December 31.

# Haifa's skyline

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — On December 26, 1974 you published an article by Ya'acov Ardon, "Public council deplores plan for Mt. Carmel," which deals with "an attack" by the Council for a Beautiful Israel on the masterplan for the Mt. Carmel Ridge — a plan presented by Prof. M. Mansfeld.

Mr. Ardon overlooked basic information which was sent to him by the Council in a press release, namely that, "Representatives of the Council for a Beautiful Israel voiced their approval of the principles underlined in the masterplan, but warned of a number of possible dangerous developments to be considered before the preparation of a more detailed plan."

It is important to note that the Council did give its blessing to the underlying principles of the Masterplan, except for a number of reservations; but, from Mr. Ardon's words, one might deduct just the opposite, because he placed the main focus on the reservations and warnings.

*ORA HERZOG*
*Chairman,*
*The Council for a Beautiful Israel*
Tel Aviv, December 28.

### Ya'acov Ardon comments:

The Council committee of experts and concerned residents wants the high-rise buildings lowered, even those already approved. It wants more green space at the expense of building density. It wants instead of an autostrada a separate promenade for pedestrians. It wants more respect for the skyline. All this would appear to be more than criticism of details in the outline plan.

# Responsible leadership

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Gideon Ben-Israel's views on productivity (December 20) are like a breath of fresh air coming out of the dank dungeon of labour movement practices which have prevailed in Israel for the past 20 years or so. With leadership and ideas of this sort, Labour can once again become an honoured member of Israel society. Pride in one's work has long since been lost, not only here, but also in other parts of the world. Israel could be proud, if she re-established the principle of honest work and pay.

The ideas Ben-Israel enunciated are not only right, but necessary if Israel is to overcome the economic crisis. The fact that many of the ills plaguing Israeli labour exist elsewhere is of little consequence. Israel just cannot afford the luxuries of featherbedding, phoney norms, poor workmanship, and the many other shortcomings tolerated by the Histadrut.

It is not the responsibility of labour alone to correct these evils. Labour, and Mr. Ben-Israel in particular, deserve congratulations if they take the lead in making the necessary reforms. Revision of the tax structure is also essential, and responsible labour leadership should force its own government to face up to its inequitable tax system.

With leadership of this kind, those of us who stopped supporting the Histadrut some years ago will be able to do so again with enthusiasm.

*LEO GROSS*
Tel Aviv, December 22.

## THE EFFECT OF VIOLENCE ON TV

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I refer to the letter of Andy Biran and 12 other teenage students calling for the return of Ironside (December 25). In my opinion, the TV authorities were well advised to stop Ironside. It is only a pity that they have not decided to stop all the other programmes featuring crime and cruelty. Just look at your own front-page report of December 24 about the 15-year-old boy who seriously shot two policemen with a stolen pistol. The last sentence reads: "The police say that the boy is from a good family and apparently set out on his tragic adventure *under the influence of television.*"

*JOSEPH F. EISENMANN*
Bnei Brak, December 25.

## TV PROGRAMMES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Israel TV must dispose of Adam Strange immediately and bring instead the I.T.V. comedy series, "Bless This House," starring Sidney James — Britain's answer to "Arnie" and ten times funnier.

*MIRIAM WOLF*
Kfar Daniel, December 26.

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